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Dedication

This book is dedicated to my brief encounter in 1966 with my great grandmother, **Mary Alice (Richardson) Rone**, whom I met a short time before our family moved to Belgium. She was a very pleasant woman, and her spinster daughter **Allene Rone** was a hoot! At that time, they lived in Longton, Kansas in a tiny, dilapidated house with a hand pump in the kitchen, a huge vegetable garden, a wood-burning stove, and a two-seat outhouse in back. Meeting these two old ladies and seeing how they lived fascinated me greatly, but it was the only chance I had to visit with them, as she died before we returned from Europe. The town of Longton at that time was withering on the vine, and was a mere shadow of itself when, twenty years later, I returned to the area while bicycle touring from coast to coast.

About the Author

I have been conducting family history research for nearly a decade, having authored and self-published two very detailed histories of my paternal Malone/Hunter and Williams/Cater clans (this is the first effort on my maternal side). I have a number of other books in various stages of completion, which is primarily why I chose to publish in this fairly simple format - doing so requires less time and effort, though the quality of research is fairly close to the same level as found in any of my books. Another reason for this simpler format is that it is likely that some of the well-reasoned speculations contained herein are unlikely to ever be proven conclusively: due to a scarcity of records in the time period in general, and a near total absence of records in the relevant time period for Bedford County, Tennessee in particular. The hope is that this information can aid a future researcher, who might have the good fortune to happen upon some family lore, or other rare information source, that either confirms or refutes any of those conclusions that are speculative.

In my professional life, I like to say that I faked a 20-year career as an urban planner, a vocation that improved my writing ability to the point that my books are, in general, easy to read (at least when the narrative is driven by clear facts). My time as a planner gave me invaluable experience in navigating land and court records, and in interpreting maps. Being able to spatially relate 200-year-old public records (which events occurred nearer or farther from one another) is often the key to understanding who is related to whom, and who is likely not a person of interest. It is also important to understand how jurisdictions have changed over time; counties all over the country were often split, merged, adjusted or otherwise reconfigured during the late 1700s and early 1800s. The result can be an ancestor who stayed in one place for decades, but the changing jurisdictions create the illusion of constantly moving from place to place.

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Rones, Rhones, Roans and Roanes

A very reasonable question to ask is: how can there be four surnames, yet only one clan? The answer is that, prior to the creation of the *Oxford English Dictionary*, there was little effort made to standardize spellings of English words, so a lack of consistency in the spelling of surnames in the early 1800s should not at all be surprising.

The effort to create the *O.E.D.* began in 1857. It was the first attempt at a dictionary that 1) documented all words used in the English language, 2) attempted to standardize their spelling, and 3) undertook to identify where in literature the use of each word had first occurred. The first volume of the ultimate ten-volume set was not published until 1884, which helps to give a sense of the enormity of the undertaking.

So, if there weren't standardized spellings for words back then, how were names spelled? Quite simply, they were spelled as they sounded: phonetically. To one person, our surname was the valley in Switzerland and France through which the Rhone River flows; to another it was the color of a horse (roan or roane); and then there was just the simplest form of the sound (rone), which is the predominant spelling for our clan. In English, "rone" is defined as a word of Scottish origin for a gutter or pipe that carries water from a roof. This might be a clue to the trade of one of our Scottish ancestors, as yDNA testing has shown that the ancestors of our Rone clan actually had the surname of St. John.¹ But those are subjects outside the scope of this book, and thus are mysteries for someone else to solve.

Of course, an additional part of the reason for so many spellings of our clan's surname was illiteracy. While literacy is assumed for the vast majority of people in the United States today, it has been only 50 years since there was a major effort to eliminate illiteracy in the United States. It wasn't until 1852 that any state had passed a law requiring compulsory public education. And for many years after that, in a lot of places, schooling was paid for by subscription, meaning that some people simply couldn't afford an education.

¹ E-mail from Paul Wilkerson, Jr to Steve Malone dated 27 Aug 2018.

Introduction: The Biography of T.J. Rone

The main source of clues about the ancestry of brothers Mathew L. Rone and Mobley H. Rhone comes from a biographical account of Mathew's son, T.J. Rone,² which is included in its entirety below (in italics), coupled with my commentary to correct some factual, spelling and/or grammatical errors.

T.J. Rone died on 27 Jul 1907 in Salt Lake City, Utah. His Utah death certificate³ states that his usual residence was St. Jo, Texas, and that his occupation was that of a grain dealer. Since he was alive when the following article was published, it is strongly suspected to have been autobiographical (he provided the facts, though it was written possibly by another).

These sorts of biographical accounts are family lore, not scholarly, fact-checked historical accounts. An author/publisher would announce an intention to record the early history of an area. For subscribing to purchase a certain number of copies of the resultant book, the subscriber would be entitled to a family biography of a particular length. To obtain a biography like his, which also contained a portrait, would have meant a substantial subscription, as compared with the run-of-the-mill bios in the book. We are deeply indebted to T.J. for having borne this expense and thus preserving this vitally important bridge to our past.

Information within the biography that pertains to T.J. comes from his first-hand knowledge, and is very detailed and accurate, as is that about his family. Because he had less direct contact with them, information about his siblings is a bit less accurate; of his aunts and uncles, a bit less so; and information dating from before his puberty was virtually all second or third hand. Thus, in the following account, any information that pre-dates 1850 is likely *not* based upon direct knowledge. The information would have come from a variety of sources, and the odds are good that facts pertaining to two or more people or events may have been merged or otherwise distorted. That is why it is always advisable to corroborate information found in bios such as this with facts recorded in public records. Not doing so will inevitably lead to a dead end, or worse – a wrong turn that leads to someone else's ancestor (I call this Franken-Genealogy: the grafting of unrelated ancestors onto the torso of your true family tree). It was also not uncommon for there to be limited or no opportunity for the subscribers to proofread these stories before they were published. Thus, errors in name spellings and other details are to be expected.

Because there are some factual errors in the following account, this annotated version attempts to identify and correct those errors, and where possible to provide a small amount of additional factual information. Text not found in the original biography is shown in square brackets []. To improve clarity, lists of names have been reformatted as bulleted lists.

*Among the early settlers of Montague and Cooke counties [Texas]—men who came here in an early day and have reclaimed the wild region for the purposes of civilization—Mr. Rone is numbered and he is now successfully engaged in grain dealing in Saint Jo. His birth occurred in Ray county, Missouri, November 24, 1838, his parents being **Mathew L. and Emaline (Fowler) Rone**, both of Tennessee [Bedford County: they lived there, but were not born there]. The paternal grandfather was a native of Ireland [Scotland per Mathew's 1880 Census record] and on emigrating to America settled in North Carolina, where all of his children were born. While there*

² *History and Biographical Record of North and West Texas* by B. B. Paddock (Chicago: Lewis Publishing Co., 1906), Volume I, pages 458-461

³ Ancestry.com's *Utah, Death and Military Death Certificates, 1904-1916*, Thomas J. Rone, date of death 27 Jul 1907.

he enlisted for service in the Black Hawk war [which took place in 1832] and subsequently he removed to Tennessee, where he spent his remaining days. The members of the family were:

- **Matthew;**
- **Mobly H.** [sic: the 1870 Census has him listed as Robert Rhone, though it could be that the correct middle name is Harbert], *who came to the Republic of Texas and was a pioneer near Palestine* [sic: he was a pioneer near Crockett, TX; he did not move to near Palestine until fairly late in his life];
- **John**, *who went to Mississippi* [sic: DNA results show that this third brother was actually Samuel Rone, Junior, as will be explained more fully later]; *and*
- *three sisters whose names are not recorded.*

The last sentence in the paragraph above states that there were six siblings: three named brothers, and three unnamed daughters. Whether this was the complete family, or simply the family members with whom T.J. was familiar, is an open question. These may simply be the family members who were living during his lifetime. While it was very unlikely that a source could be found that would add to our knowledge of any of Mathew Rone's other, anonymous siblings, the identity of one sister will be discussed in a later chapter. The Census records of his father (whose identity will be proved in a later section) shows more than six children, suggesting that all but these six likely died before T.J.'s days as a young boy.

Mobley Rhone's unique given name is the key to interpreting the early clues to the Rone/Rhone family, which is why the next chapter will be about him. His first marriage was to Mary Prather in Mecklenburg County, North Carolina on 20 May 1820.

The only clue about John Rhone, the third brother, was that he had migrated to Mississippi. At first blush, that clue appears to be a dead end: no early record of a John Rone/Rhone/Roan/Roane of the correct age (born around the time of either Mobley [circa 1800] or Mathew [circa 1814]) appears in early records there. But when T.J. Rone's biography was recorded, it was likely in an interview that was transcribed in hand written notes, which would have made extensive use of abbreviations and/or shorthand. So, John would likely have been recorded as "Jno." But what if what was recorded was "Jnr," for Junior, and the typesetter had mistakenly interpreted that as "Jno," for John? If it were, indeed, Junior, then this person would have the same given name as T.J.'s grandfather. But it is far too early to deal with the murkier facts provided by T.J.'s bio, so we will return to that thought later. For now, let's continue on.

Mathew Rhone [sic] *was born in North Carolina and with his parents removed to Tennessee, remaining in their home up to the time of his marriage. Soon afterward, in 1825 [sic: almost certainly 1835], he removed to Ray county, Missouri, and was an early resident of that locality. There he improved a good farm and in connection with its cultivation he followed his trade of a stone and brick mason. He was also a millwright and possessed much natural mechanical ingenuity. He proved an excellent man in a new country because of his varied capabilities and he assisted materially in its early development and upbuilding, contributing in substantial measure to the welfare of the section of Missouri in which he lived. He remained successfully in business in Ray county for many years and there his wife died in 1867, subsequent to which time he sold out and removed to Arkansas, where he bought a farm. Taking up his abode where he remained upon that place until his death, which occurred when he had reached the age of seventy-five years. He was too old for active service in the Civil war, but his sympathy was entirely with the Confederacy. His attention throughout life was given to his farming, milling and mechanical pursuits, and he was known as a man always true to his honest convictions, gaining and retaining the respect of his fellow citizens in each community in*

which he lived. He held membership in the Christian church. His wife, who died in Ray county, Missouri, in 1855, was a daughter of **Samuel Fowler** of North Carolina, who removed to Tennessee and later became a prominent pioneer resident there and a worthy member of the Christian church. He served in the Black Hawk war and assisted in subduing the red men and penetrating the new countries which he claimed for the uses of civilization. He thus aided in making it possible for others to establish homes on the frontier. His children were:

- **Mira [Altamira]**, now the wife of **H. Graham [Henry Faris Graham]**;
- **Mrs. Emaline Rone**;
- **Martha**, the wife of **J. Milligan** [sic: this is a blend of two people and almost certainly a mistake by the editor/typesetter that resulted from skipping a line that included yet another daughter of Samuel's:
 - Martha married **Moses F. Ritter**; it was her sister Mary who married Milligan,
 - **Sarah Amanda Fowler** who married **John Wesley Petree**,⁴
 - **Mary Caroline Fowler** who married **James Grant Milligan**;
- **Rusetta [sic: Lucetta A.]**, the wife of **H. Sons [sic: Thomas H. Sauer/Sour/Sours]**, and she was later the wife of **John H. Lucas**;
- **Thomas B.** and
- **LeRoy**, who died in Missouri; and
- **Jesse G.**, of Council Bluffs, Iowa.

Mr. and Mrs. **Mathew L. Rone** had seven children:

- **Samuel**, who died at the age of seventeen years;
- **Nathaniel H.**, of Oakland, Oregon;
- **T.J.**;
- **William H. H.** and
- **George M.**, who are residents of Ray county, Missouri;
- **Mathew A.**, who died in Texas; and
- **Media A. [Meda]**, the wife of **Thomas Belt**.

Emaline (Fowler) Rone's first son was born in 1836 in Missouri. Since there is no record of Emaline's marriage in Ray County, Missouri (where records seem to be complete), she most likely was married in Bedford County, Tennessee, probably just prior to the move to Ray County (around 1835).

Leroy P. Fowler's marriage to Martha Jane (Patton) Cowser on 12 Sep 1837 is the first marriage record for a Fowler in Ray County, Missouri. This further supports the notion that the families of both Samuel Fowler and Mathew Rone arrived in the county in 1835, not 1825.

The text is somewhat ambiguous about who had fought in the Black Hawk War: Mathew Rone or Samuel Fowler? The remainder of the paragraph is related to Mathew, so it would appear that he was the one who served. After all, Samuel would have been at least 57 years old in that war. If Mathew did serve, it appears

⁴⁴ A large pool of DNA results for descendants of Caleb Blagg (Sarah [Blagg] Fowler's grandfather) produced a large number matches that are consistent with Sarah Amanda Fowler being as related to Samuel and Sarah as a large percentage of their other children. Since this is a minor point, and somewhat on the edge of being within the scope of this book, the results of that DNA pool are not included herein.

that he did not claim any bounty land for his service. Since this event was well before T.J. Rone was born, it could be that service was either attributed to the wrong person, or he has the person right and the wrong war. It may actually be that neither man served in the Black Hawk War, but that the actual event that was participated in was the Creek War (1813-1814), which was considered part of the War of 1812. That notion is supported by Samuel Fowler's claim for bounty land for his service as a private in the War of 1812, where he served as part of Cannon's Mounted Tennessee Gunmen.⁵

The remainder of the biography deals with T.J.'s immediate family, his personal accomplishments and the family of his father-in-law.

***Captain T.J. Rone**, born and reared in Ray county, acquired a common school education and became familiar with farm pursuits in his early youth. He remained under the parental roof until 1857, when in his nineteenth year he came to Texas, first locating at Bonham, Fannin county, where he spent three years. He then removed to Cooke county, settling in the Red River valley, where he followed the blacksmith's trade until the spring of 1861. Then offering his services to the Confederacy, he became a member of Company A, Eleventh Texas Cavalry, serving as its sergeant until he was promoted to first lieutenant and then captain. He was sent to Fort Arbuckle in the Indian Territory, the regiment being divided and stationed at different places. Captain Rone remained at Fort Arbuckle until August, 1862, when he returned to Grayson county, Texas, where the regiment united and reorganized; then moving forward under General McCulloch to Arkansas, where Captain Rone participated in the battle of Oak Hill or Pea Ridge, in which General Vandorn were in charge in that engagement, the latter acting as commander in chief. From there the regiment was sent to the Army of the Tennessee and participated in the battle of Corinth, Mississippi. When the regiment reorganized in Grayson county to go to Oak Hill, T.J. Rone was elected first lieutenant, in which rank he continued until after the battle of Corinth, when the regiment was again re-organized and he was elected captain, thus serving until the close of the war. He refused an offered position to the colonelcy. The regiment had been dismounted after the Elkhorn fight and moved to Corinth, then Knoxville, Tennessee, and under command of General Kirby Smith marched over the mountains to Richmond, Kentucky, and took part in the battle there, also in a number of skirmishes. After the battle at Richmond the regiment participated in the campaign through Kentucky and back to Knoxville, Tennessee, where Captain Rone attempted to resign, but his superiors felt that they could not afford to lose his valuable service and transferred him to Texas, where he took command of Company E in M. L. Martin's Texas Rangers, his headquarters being at Bonham. Following this, his first campaign was to the Choctaw and Chickasaw nations. There occurred a fight at Fort Smith and also at Perryville, after which Colonel Martin's regiment returned to Richmond, Texas, being there at the time of General Lee's surrender. Soon after, the command disbanded and its members returned home. Captain Rone was always on active duty in the front ranks, but was never wounded nor captured. He saw hard service and underwent many deprivations such as are meted out to the soldier.*

In May, 1865, Captain Rone returned to Cooke county, where he engaged in farming, and in April, 1866, securing a companion and helpmate for life's journey. He then bought land and began the improvement of a farm, which he afterward sold, while later improved a second farm in the Red River valley, near Illinois Bend, where he remained for eighteen years. At an early date he took part in the raids after the red men, who were continually stealing and running off stock. For safety, the neighborhood built a stockade, digging deep trenches and settling up posts ten feet high and close together, but the Indians found a favorable opportunity by securing some tools that had been left at a graveyard, digging out the posts and driving away the stock. All of the men of the locality followed them and there was a big fight,

⁵ From Fold3.com's *Index to Compiled Service Records of Volunteer Soldiers Who Served During the War of 1812* (National Archives and Records Administration).

the white people succeeding in recapturing the stock. Although taking part in many raids, Captain Rone was never wounded, although on different occasions he captured some of the ponies and other plunder from the Indians. The settlers had their cabins picketed with high fences and there were port holes in the cabins in order that they might shoot the red men from these. After the Indians had left the country Captain Rone settled down to active farming and was very successful. He raised some stock as well as the various crops best adapted to soil and climate, and as the years went by success attended his labors. He had a shop and tools upon his place and did his own work and also considerable service in this direction for his neighbors. In the course of time he developed a good farm, well improved with substantial buildings, and he likewise set out an orchard. He was quite successful in his business undertakings and he remained upon the farm until 1889, when, in order to provide his children better educational privileges, he removed to Saint Jo, and for two years acted as cotton weigher there. He also bought and handled cotton seed, but subsequently turned his attention to buying and shipping grain, and in connection with this business he likewise runs a feed store. He has sold a portion of his land, but is yet the owner of a good farm. He has also invested in oil fields and the company is drilling in the vicinity of Saint Jo with good prospects.

*In April, 1866, was celebrated the marriage of Captain Rone and **Miss Mary E. Merrell** [sic: Murrell], who was born in Kentucky and is descended from one of the pioneer families of Cooke and Montague counties. Her father, **William Merrell** of Kentucky, removed to Missouri and after three years, in 1857, came to Texas, first settling in Fannin county but later taking up his abode in Cooke county, in the Red River valley. He was among the first to locate in that portion of the state and he purchased large tracts of land and improved a good farm. He was prominently identified with the development of agricultural interests and was also the champion of many progressive measures that tended to promote the substantial welfare of this part of the state. He was highly respected because he was a man true to his word and his honest convictions. In his family were eleven children:*

- ***Joe N.;***
- ***John A.;***
- ***Samuel B.;***
- ***Thomas;***
- ***William;***
- ***George;***
- ***Jesse C.,***
- ***Mrs. Lucy Browning;***
- ***Susan, the wife of H. H. Hays;***
- ***Mary E., now Mrs. Rone, and***
- ***Belle, the wife of Felix Gillock.***

Captain and Mrs. Rone had an interesting family of four children, but their first born,

- ***Elwood B.,** died at the age of eighteen years.*
- ***Emma** is the wife of **E. R. Belcher** [sic: John Richard Belcher], a mining stock operator at Colorado Springs.*
- ***Dovey** is the wife of **J. T. Burgher**, a real estate dealer at Fort Worth, and*
- ***Myrtle** died at the age of seven years.*

Mrs. Rone and the daughters are members of the Methodist church. Politically Captain Rone is a Democrat and has served as alderman of Saint Jo for more than ten years, exercising his official prerogatives in support of every measure

which he deems will prove of substantial benefit of the city. He is likewise a member of the Masonic fraternity, and he too, is a member of the Methodist church, taking an active and helpful interest in its work and serving as its steward for twenty years. His life has been upright and honorable, his actions manly and sincere and he may well be termed one of the foremost citizens of Montague county. His efforts in behalf of public progress have been far-reaching and beneficial and everything that tends to advance the material, intellectual and moral progress of the community receives his endorsement and support.

Henry Rone?

Before continuing on, it is worth touching upon what was believed about Mathew's and Mobley's parents at the time this research was commenced. If, at that time, you had reviewed family trees on Ancestry.com to determine the father of Mathew Rone and/or Mobley Rhone, for those few trees that alleged his identity, there was pretty much just one clear, simple answer: Henry Pierce Rone.

Henry Pierce Rone

So, if the answer is already known, why undertake a project like this? The first reason is because that information is wrong (no trees referenced any facts to support the claim), and the second is that, prior to 1850 especially, more information on Ancestry.com is based on factoids than upon facts. And so, a word of caution: Never accept any information from Ancestry.com family trees without finding solid verification that the information is factual.

So what factoid led to Henry Pierce Rone being falsely identified as the progenitor of our Rone/Rhone clan? Some sloppy researcher decided Mathew and Mobley had a sister named Emily Elizabeth Rone, who was baptized on 9 Feb 1813 in Marleyborne, Middlesex, England (it would appear that someone took a wild guess at the identity of one of Mathew's three unnamed sisters...). The record of Emily's baptism states that her parents were Henry Pierce and Anna Maria Rone.

This conflicts directly with known facts (that the grandfather was born in Ireland per T.J., or Scotland per Mathew's 1880 Census record, and that all of his children were born in North Carolina), - Emily Elizabeth Rone, born in England, is in no way connected to our clan! Clearly, there are no facts to be found in the Henry Pierce Rone factoid!⁶

Of course, there is a good possibility that someone had done research in the past and determined that some particular Henry Rone was, indeed, our progenitor. And that this person should not be confused with Henry Pierce Rone.

Henry Rone of Mecklenburg County, North Carolina

So, with the Henry Pierce Rone myth deflated, what if Mathew's father was a different Henry Rone? That seems to have been the belief of the anonymous author of the typescript *Jacob Isaac Jackson/Martha Jane Ford*, which was published sometime after 1975. It identifies Henry Rone as Mathew Rone's father, offering the following as the only explanation of how this conclusion had been reached:

"Henry Rone is given as head of household in the North Carolina 1800 State Census, and is the only Rone given as the right age for the father of Mathew Rone."

So much for in-depth research and thoughtful analysis of the facts.

If you look at the Rones/Roans listed in the 1800 Federal Census for North Carolina (there is no 1800 North Carolina State Census), it lists two Henry Roans: Sr and Jr. Which of these two men had been

⁶ A factoid is information repeated often enough that it becomes accepted as fact.

chosen as the only possible father of Mathew Rone is not stated, but both these men (who were determined in the course of researching this book not to be our ancestors) are discussed in the following section, and a multitude of facts relating to them is provided in [Appendix D](#). These Roans may be related to a Henry Rone who had lived in a part of western Bedford County, Tennessee that later became Marshall County, Tennessee. That Henry Rone was quite clearly not related to Mathew or Mobley, and facts pertaining to him can be found in [Appendix F](#).

Mecklenburg County, North Carolina

As stated earlier, Mobley Rhone's unique given name is the key to identifying his likely father, and thus, also, the father of Mathew L. Rone. Mobley's 1860 and 1870 Census records state that he was born in North Carolina. The first record there of a Mobley Rhone is his marriage to Mary Prather/Prater on 20 May 1820. The marriage bond was posted by Nathan Prater, and Isaac S. Alexander was a witness (he was likely the local Justice of the Peace).

And on 25 Apr 1822, William Rone married Elizabeth Bigham in Mecklenburg County, North Carolina. Nathan Prater also posted their bond, and R. J. Dinkins was a witness.

The fact that Nathan Prater posted the bond at both of these weddings is significant, especially since they occurred less than two years apart. And these are the only two marriage records in which his name appears (in fact they are the only documents that were found relating to him in Mecklenburg County). The two records suggest he is quite possibly related to one person in each marriage. It seems unlikely to be a Rone connection, as William and Mobley probably only shared common grandparents. There seems to be too few clues to speculate any further, other to state that the connection could be on the bride's side, or possibly via the family of the wife of Clement Rone (who is thought to have been the father of William Rone) – perhaps his wife was a Prater?

The earliest Rones in Mecklenburg County, North Carolina were Henry Rone, Sr. and Henry Rone, Jr. The first of their particular *Germanic* Rone clan had arrived there by the 1790 Census, and they had received land grants in the area prior to that time. They lived in the southern part of central present-day Union County, North Carolina (Mecklenburg County had originally been much larger), just above the border of South Carolina, principally along Lynches River and collateral branches (mainly to the east).

They had seemed the most likely ancestors of Mobley Rhone, but while they appeared in Mecklenburg County, North Carolina tax and land records at the right time, Mobley did not (he only appeared in the one marriage record). In the time period when our ancestors lived there, annual poll and property taxes were collected by militia district, and neither Mobley Rhone nor any Praters, Dinkins or Bighams (the folks associated with the two Rone marriages involving Nathan Prater) were found in the southern districts, where the descendants of Henry Rone had lived. So, it was concluded that these "southern" Rones *were not* part of our clan. Extensive subsequent DNA analysis of descendants of our clan and theirs clearly bears this out, with virtually no shared DNA found among the dozens of descendants of our clan and a very limited number of proven descendants of their line. While we are likely related to other Rone/Roane/Roan/Rhone clans in North Carolina, Georgia and/or Alabama, there is virtually no chance that we are related to the Germanic Rone clan of southern Mecklenburg County.

Failing to find a connection to the Rones living in what was then the southeastern corner of Mecklenburg County, a review of the surviving annual tax lists was made, this time looking at neighborhoods elsewhere in the county; more specifically, looking for a neighborhood which included people associated with the two marriage bonds: Praters, Dinkins and Bighams. Just one district met that criteria, that of Captain

William Porter (he was responsible for the District from 1808-1811).⁷ This district was located in northern Mecklenburg County, where it abuts present day Iredell County to the north, and Rocky River (the border with present day Cabarrus County) to the east. This was roughly District 2 as reported in the 1790 Census for Mecklenburg County.

Neighbors of the Dinkins and Bighams were Clem and Samuel Rone/Roan, who first appear in the 1806 tax list, where they paid only the poll tax. That means that they owned no land, slaves or horses - which would fit with their being recent immigrants, as suggested by T.J. Rone's bio.

Three Williams

Before going any farther, there were at least three William Rones who were found in the neighborhood where Samuel and Clement had lived in Mecklenburg County. So, to minimize confusion, let's attempt to sort them out now. The three Williams were:

1. William 1, born before 1755, died 1807.
2. William 2, born about 1786, died by early 1816.
3. William 3, born about 1801, died after 1850.

In addition, the follow facts will eventually be learned about Samuel and Clement:

1. Clement was born between 1760 and 1765, and died after 1840.
2. Samuel was born 1775 (per an 1840 deposition), and died after 1840.

So, what can logic tell us about these men, who were all near neighbors when they lived in the northernmost part of Mecklenburg County?

First, William 3 could not have been Samuel Rone's son. He was contemporary with T.J. Rone, who doesn't mention that Samuel had a son named William. This information is corroborated by results in the Rone DNA Pool; William's descendants are not as closely related to descendants of Mathew Rone and Mobley Rhone as would be the case if the three men were brothers.

Second, William 2 could not be the father of William 3, as William 2 was not yet of age when William 3 was born.

Third, with William 2 and Samuel eliminated as possible fathers of William 3, William 3 had to have been either the son of William 1 or Clement.

Fourth, we need to determine the most likely relationship between William 1, William 2, William 3, Samuel and Clement. William 3 was clearly the youngest, and could have been the son of either William 1 or Clement. William 1 was clearly the oldest, and could have been either the father or brother of Samuel and Clement, but he could only have been the father of William 2 (and could not have been a brother).

Thus, the two possibilities of how these three men relate are illustrated in the following two tables:

⁷ This had been Captain Alexander Morrison's district in 1806, and became Captain John Harris' district in 1815. By 1823, it was Captain Hugh Harris' district.

Option 1, William 1 as a brother of Clement and Samuel:

Unknown Father		
William 1 Born before 1755	Clement Born 1760-1765	Samuel Born 1775
William 2 Born about 1786	William 3 Born about 1801	

Option 2, William 1 as the father of Clement, Samuel and William 2:

William 1 Born before 1755		
Clement Born 1760-1765	Samuel Born 1775	William 2 Born about 1786
William 3 Born about 1801		

In both scenarios, William 3 is the son of Clement Rone, so that is likely correct. But there appear to be insufficient clues to clearly determine which option for William 1 is correct. A later discussion will document our ancestors' 20 year stay in Wake County, North Carolina. William 1 was the first to appear in records there, followed a few years later with Samuel's marriage there, and Clement showing up in court records around the same time. It is fairly likely that Option 2 correctly expresses how these individuals relate to one another.

Back to the Clem and Samuel Rone

In 1807, Clem and his wife Creasy were appointed administrators of the estate of William Roan (Senior: who is William 1 in the previous analysis).

In 1809, "William Rowan" (William 2, believed to have been Samuel's and Clement's brother in the previous analysis) married the young widow Margaret (Taylor) Franklin (her Taylor siblings lived in the same district as Clem and Samuel). And in 1810, he, Clem and Samuel were close neighbors. The 1810 Census shows that William was aged 16-25 (thus, most likely he was 24 years old [born 1786] since he would typically have married at age 21), and his wife was over age 26. This William died by 1816 (when his wife is described in documents as his relict), and thus any heirs that he had left would have been born between early 1810 and 1816. At any rate, he was too young to have been Mobley's father, since Mobley was born around 1800.

In 1810, Clem's household included four males and two females over age 10, while Samuel's household included one male and five females under age 10. Therefore, Roan marriages prior to 1820 were most likely Clem's children, since he had close to six children who would come of age by then.

In 1816, Samuel Roan was the only member of the family to purchase property in Mecklenburg County, North Carolina, paying \$300 for 60 acres on Beaverdam Creek.

On 31 Mar 1817, Catherine Roan married Cornelius Hazzard, with John Black posting bond.

On 21 Mar 1818, Solomon Roan married Fanny Parish, with Harbert Roan posting bond.

On 30 Jul 1818, Harbert Roan (perhaps somehow related to the source of Mobley's middle name ["H" in T.J.'s bio, "Robert" in the 1870 Census]?) married Elizabeth Martin, with Jonathan Reed posting bond.

On 20 May 1820, Mobley Rhone married Mary Prater, with Nathan Prater posting bond.

In the 1820 Census, the males in Clem Roan's 1810 household had either died or come of age, so it is likely that Solomon and Harbert were his sons, and that Catherine was his daughter. Plus, we have already speculated that William 3 was also his son. Since we know that Mobley had a brother named Mathew, who was born 1814, and no such male exists in Clem's Census households, these two men could not have been his sons.

In Samuel's household in the 1820 Census, there are 3 males under age 10 (any one of whom could have been Mathew's age), a male and female aged 16-25 (likely Mobley and his new wife Mary), three females under age 10, and two aged 10-15 (some of the daughters would seem to have died since the previous Census). So, it would appear to be almost certain that Samuel Rone was the father of Mobley, Mathew and their brother (John, according to T.J.'s bio, or Junior if earlier speculation is correct, which would make his given name Samuel).

On 8 Nov 1820, Samuel Roan sold his 60 acres to Samuel P. Lindsay for \$800, netting a profit of \$500. This is the last record of Samuel in Mecklenburg County, North Carolina. It is presumed he used his profits to migrate elsewhere at this time.

On 25 Apr 1822, William Rone (William 3) married Elizabeth Bigham, with Nathan Prater posting bond. This was the last Roan marriage for which documented evidence exists in Mecklenburg County, North Carolina.

Clement and Harbert Rone show up in records of Mecklenburg County as late as Nov 1823. Sometime between then and the 1830 Census, the Rones discussed above (with the exception of Mobley) all appear in records of either Bedford County, Tennessee (in the southernmost part of the county, near Sugar Creek) or its abutting neighbor to the south, Lincoln County, Tennessee (mainly in District 11, which is located along the northwestern border, near where Lincoln County abuts Bedford County). At that time, Mobley is found in Lincoln County, North Carolina, the eastern border of which was a short distance west of where he had been living in Mecklenburg County.

So, up to this point, a big, burning, unanswered question has been: Where were Samuel, Clem and the others prior to 1806? Mobley Rhone was born in North Carolina around 1800 or so, and T.J. Rone's bio stated that all of his grandfather's children had been born in North Carolina. So, they must have lived in a different part of North Carolina before arriving in Mecklenburg County, otherwise they would have shown up on earlier tax lists there.

Samuel Roan was enumerated in District 18 of Lincoln County, Tennessee in 1840 (on page 69: this district is located in the southern part of the county, where it abuts Alabama). Also enumerated in the same district was Henry P. Rone, age 20-30, with one son and three daughters under age 5 (also on page 69 - was this also a son of Samuel's, but who had died when T.J. Rone was quite young?). And on 14 Dec 1840, Samuel Roan of Lincoln County, Tennessee, age 65, made a deposition for the widow of Samuel Reeves in her application for a Revolutionary War widow's pension,⁸ where he stated that he had known her and her husband for 45 years (since around 1795), when he had resided in Wake County, North Carolina.

Aha! The answer to where in North Carolina Samuel Rone had lived prior to his arrival in Mecklenburg County! And Samuel Rone married Middy Lowrey there on 18 Oct 1799, which fits with Mobley, born around 1800, being their oldest child.

⁸ #W56, <http://revwarapps.org/w56.pdf>.

Wake County, North Carolina

In the 1794 tax list for Wake County is the household of William Roan, who was living in the same district as Samuel Reeves, Arthur Lowrey, Jesse Lowrey and several Mobleys, which corroborates the account given in Samuel's deposition. He is not found in 1792 or 1793 tax records, suggesting that he had arrived in Wake County around 1794.

Neither William nor Samuel are listed in the next available tax list, for 1799. Samuel is likely missing because he was not a head of household until late that year. William is found in the 1800 Census there, with a male age 10-15 and a female aged 16-25 (Samuel's new wife?). Samuel is not found in the 1800 Census. That suggests that they were not farmers, but followed a trade or occupation that required them to be away from home for extended periods – perhaps builders, woodsmen or teamsters, for instance.

On 20 Mar 1802, Samuel purchased 86 acres of land on Horse Creek (present day Lowery Creek⁹ from Samuel Reeves, with Jesse Lowrey as one of his neighbors. The second witness, who typically would be protecting the dower interest Samuel's wife, was Matthew Lowrey. Samuel was taxed in 1802 for these 86 acres and two white polls. Samuel later sold 36 acres of this land to James Lowrey on 29 Sep 1806. No further record of him is found in Wake County, including the disposition of his remaining 50 acres there.

The only record of Clement Rone living in Wake County was in 1802, when he was listed among the insolvent taxpayers.¹⁰

There is no further tax record of either William or Samuel in Wake County (the next available such record was not until 1805).

So, the above facts fit well with Clement and Samuel Rone's arrival in Mecklenburg County, North Carolina in 1806, and with Williams' death there in 1807. It also helps to explain Samuel's absence from the 1840 Census in Bedford County, Tennessee, and his subsequent presence in Lincoln County, Tennessee for the Census that year.

Later DNA analysis identifies one of Mathew Rone's daughters as Rebecca (Rone) Woodard. Events in her life help to further corroborate that all of the records discussed above all refer to the same Samuel Rone, and this will all be discussed further in a later section.

Thus, from the preceding analysis, the Rones of Northern Mecklenburg County, North Carolina appear to be related to each other as shown in the table below:

⁹ Lowery Creek is located north-northeast of Raleigh, between New Light and Wake Forest, close to where Wake County abuts Granville County and Franklin County

¹⁰ *Wake County, North Carolina Court Minutes, Court of Common Pleas and Quarter Sessions, 1801-1803, Volume 5*, page 234, abstracted by Weynette Parks Haun (1977-1995).

The Known Descendants of William Rone, Senior:

William Rone, Senior Born before 1744, died 1807.		
Clement Rone Born 1760-1765 Died after 1840s He married Creasy (MNU) Later, he likely married Rutha (MNU)	Samuel Rone Born 1775 Died after 1840s He married Middy Lowrey on 18 Oct 1799 in Wake County, NC	William Rone, Junior Born about 1788 Died about 1816 He married Margaret (Taylor) Franklin on 6 Apr 1809 in Mecklenburg County, NC
Children: Harbert Rone, Born about 1796 Solomon Roan/Roane/Rone, Born about 1797 Catherine (Rone) Hazzard, Born about 1799 William Rone Born about 1801 John Rone/Roan, Born about 1803	Children: Mobley Rhone, Born about 1800 Mathew Rone, Born about 1813 Samuel Rone, Junior Born about 1814 Rebecca (Rone) Woodard Born about 1822 Two unknown daughters	No known children. Any heirs would have been born between 1810 and 1816.

Middy (Lowrey) Rone's Ancestors

Middy's surname is found spelled various ways: Lowry, Lowery, Lowrie, Loury and Lourie. The most common spelling is Lowry, but it appears that Lowrey is the correct ancestral spelling. As such, it is used for all Lowreys discussed in this narrative.

As noted earlier, three years after her marriage to Samuel Rone, Matthew Lowrey was the second witness to Samuel's 1802 property purchase. That role would normally be performed by someone looking after Middy's dower interest in the property. So, was Matthew Lowrey the father-in-law of Samuel Rone?

We know that one of Samuel's sons was Mathew L. Rone, and the given name Lowrey (or its phonetic equivalents) shows up in the names of a few of his known descendants.

We also know that Mary Lowrey is identified as the daughter of Mordecai Mobley in his 1792 will,¹¹ as well as in the will of his widow Dorcas in 1807.

In his will, Mordecai had bequeathed an interest in eight slaves to his wife and children. In the 1793 tax list of Captain Ray's district of Wake County, North Carolina, "Darkesh Mobley" was taxed for 1365 acres of land and seven slaves. The next three households were landless, suggesting that they were all living on her property: John H. Ray, Matthew Lowrey and Hugh Cannaday.¹² All paid for one white poll, but only Matthew also paid one black poll, so his and Dorcas' households together account for all eight of the slaves mentioned in Mordecai's will. The conclusion that Mary (Mobley) Lowrey was Matthew Lowrey's wife would seem to be inescapable. That thought is further supported by Samuel Rone naming his first-born son Mobley H. Rhone.

That would make Mordecai and Dorcas (Read) Mobley the grandparents of Middy Lowrey. While much more can be learned about Mordecai, his wife and their ancestors, doing so is outside the scope of this book, as is definitively identifying Matthew's father and/or mother. See *The Mobleys in America* by Milton C. Mobley (no publication date) for information about earlier generations of Mobleys and Reads, and the facts that prove those connections.

The following table summarizes what has been learned about the ancestry of Middy Lowrey:

¹¹ "North Carolina Estate Files, 1663-1979," database with images, FamilySearch (<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:33SQ-GPPC-NW6?cc=1911121&wc=Q6W1-Z8F%3A185203501%2C183347401%2C199334901> : 20 November 2015), Wake County > M > Mobley, Mordecai (1808) > image 1 of 15; State Archives, Raleigh.

¹² FHL Film 7640710, image 233 of 1059. <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q57-89G8-99WZ-K?i=232&cat=1757154>

Middy Lowrey's Ancestry:

Dorcas Read Born about 1737 Died 22 Dec 1807	Mordecai Mobley Born about 1724 Died 1792		
Mary Mobley Born before 1763 Died after 1807		Matthew Lowrey Born before 1740 Died after 1819	
Middy Lowrey Born about 1781 Died after 1822			

Tennessee: Bedford & Lincoln County

Early records for Bedford County, Tennessee are scarce. The courthouse in Bedford County was hit by a tornado in 1830, and by fires in 1863 and 1934. All records before 1837 were lost, with the exception of some deeds and a few tax records, and the deed index for 1852-1861 was lost, but has been at least partially reconstructed. Marriage and probate records don't exist prior to 1861, and it seems all of Samuel Rone's sons had left there before that year.

Conditions are better in Lincoln County, Tennessee. Marriage records prior to 1837 are lost, but most other records are extant for the period that the Rones had lived there. However, fewer of those records are available through the Family History Library in Salt Lake City, Utah, so they can be more difficult to obtain.

Samuel Rone and William Rone (apparently William 3, the one who married Elizabeth Bigham) both appear in the 1830 Census for Bedford County, Tennessee, separated by six households. This makes one wonder if this William was also Samuel's son, since Nathan Prater posted marriage bonds for both Mobley and William. But if T.J. Rone's bio is correct, that cannot be the case. And William had been alive at the 1850 Census, so T.J. should have known of his existence, if he were Samuel's son.

Clement's sons Harbert and Solomon Rone showed up in the 1830 Census for neighboring Lincoln County, Tennessee, though they are not near one another. The whereabouts of Clement Rone and Catherine Hazzard (or her husband) in 1830 are unknown.

In 1840, Harbert and Solomon were still in Lincoln County, Tennessee and were still quite far apart: Harbert was living in District 11, whereas Solomon was living in District 25. Clement Rone and Catherine Hazzard both appeared near Harbert in District 11, as did William Rone, and John Rone. Samuel Rone, Senior is found in a more southerly district of the county (#18, where he and his wife were both listed as being 60 to 70 years old). Samuel and Clement are not found in later Census records.

It seems that Solomon had moved to Hardin County, Tennessee, as there are some land records related to his estate there around 1850, and the 1850 Mortality Census states that he died there in Aug 1849 of "C. Fever."

Harbert Rone is found in the 1850 Census for Lincoln County, and living nearby is John Rone, who was born about 1803, and thus is a likely match for Clement's youngest son.

Catherine Hazzard and Harbert Rone are found in the 1860 Census for Lincoln County, and they weren't living all that far apart.

Harbert seems to have been the sibling to have lived the longest, as he is found in the 1870 Census for Lincoln County. There is no trace of the others.

Included in [Appendix G](#) is an account of Clement's children and grandchildren. Much of it is speculative, since there appears to be no direct proof of how he relates to many of his children and grandchildren.

That likely means that the section will probably contain some errors, though there are sufficient clues to believe that most of the speculation is likely fairly accurate.

Samuel Rone, Junior

In the 1840 Census for Bedford County, Tennessee, there is the household of “Saml Roan,” which consisted of a male and female between the ages of 20 and 29, with a daughter under five years of age. There is an unsourced family lore record of his marriage there in 1837 to Susannah H. Anderson. And in 1838 there was a tax record there for “Samuel Rone, Junior.”

Samuel Rone, Junior’s household is found in the 1850 Census for Bedford County, Tennessee. It included three daughters and four sons. Their eldest daughter, Vienna, is a good match to the female found in his 1840 Census household. In 1860 he was living in Tishomingo County, Mississippi, where his daughter Vienna had already left the household, and where it shows that he had one additional son since the previous census.

We will revisit Samuel in later sections of this book related to the Autosomal DNA evidence that he was a brother of Mathew Rone and Mobley Rhone.

The Early Texas Rhones

We know from the bio of T.J. Rone that Mobley Rhone was “a pioneer near Palestine, TX.” Palestine is the county seat of Anderson County, Texas, but, as will be shown in this section, Mobley had first lived very briefly in Cherokee County, Texas, though he had lived most of his life in Houston County, Texas (which abuts both Anderson County and Cherokee County). An 1867 special voter registration record notes that Mobley had lived in Houston County in 1839, and he had lived in Texas since 1838 (in Cherokee County).¹³ It was the following year, 1868, when he and his wife moved to Anderson County, where he lived for the last seven years of his life.

Researching the Rhones of Houston County, Texas is complicated by courthouse fires in 1865 and 1882, which destroyed many records. As a result, few local records pre-date 1865, and records are not complete until after 1882. Fortunately, there are quite a number of state records that help bridge these gaps.

Mobley H. Rhone

First off, it is important to note that there are printed sources that erroneously state that Mobley Rhone emigrated to Texas in 1837, which has caused no end of confusion among researchers. This is a transcription error, which comes from the mis-transcription of some 1839 dates on land grant documents created in the months of June and July of that year. If the transcription was correct, that would mean that Mobley would have been entitled to a much more generous land grant than that which he gained from his third-class headright. This is an important point, because there are public records that put him elsewhere in 1837: on 5 Aug 1837 Mobley Rhone had patented 40 acres of land in Talladega County, Alabama.

According to the Texas Supreme Court case of Stafford v. King, in 1838 Mobley Rhone received conditional grant #260 for 640 acres of land in Cherokee County, Texas. However, records of the grant, survey and patent for this property are inexplicably not found in the online records of the Texas General Land Office.

Mobley shows up on the tax rolls of Houston County, Texas as early as 1838, though other sources claim he was not yet a resident there in that year. This was likely because 1838 taxes would be paid in 1839, and until Mobley paid the poll tax, he would not be entitled to vote in any elections there (which was a much bigger deal then than now).

On 4 Jul 1839, Mobley received conditional grant #11 for 640 acres of third-class land in Nacogdoches County. This grant was based upon the Headright Land Grant Act of 4 Jan 1839, which was extended to “late emigrants” of the Republic of Texas. In 1844, he received unconditional grant #223 for this land, which was located in Houston County.¹⁴

Because Texas was not yet part of the United States, there is no 1840 Census to tell us about the households of Mobley Rhone and other persons of interest. But he did pay taxes in Houston County that year, as well as in most years through 1850.

¹³ Ancestry.com's *Texas, Voter Registration Lists, 1867-1869*, Houston County, 10 Aug 1967, line 572.

¹⁴ The original file refers to Cherokee County, but no part of the file documents any dealings in that county.

In 1850, Mobley married Sarah P., the widow of Nathaniel Shirley.

Mobley is not found in the 1850 Census for Houston County, Texas, but three other “Rones” are; and all were living in the household of Green W. Merideth:¹⁵ Malinda R. (age 24), James M. (age 20), and George W. (age 17). Two households before them is Jesse Thompson, from whom Mobley had purchased property in 1853, and for whose land he was taxed in 1850 (this implies that he was either a tenant farmer, or was paying for the property in installments at that time). The household after Green’s was that of John C. Oliver, whose widow Mobley had married around 1856.

For many people, the facts in the preceding paragraph may still leave lingering doubts that all those Rhones (and Green’s wife, Caroline) were all related to Mobley. A few basic facts can greatly relieve such doubt. In 1850, the population of all of Houston County was 2,721 people (men, women and children), who were living in an area of 1,237 square miles: a population density of slightly more than two people per square mile. Or, put in more graphic terms, if these people were spread out evenly across the entire county, the closest possible distance between any two people (infants included) would be about half a mile. These Rhones were clearly quite closely related to one another, and other facts help to confirm this. Additionally, analysis of several dozen AncestryDNA results of descendants of Mobley’s father leaves no doubt that Green Merideth’s wife was Mobley’s daughter (see [The Rone DNA Pool: Condensed DNA Results](#) for details). The analysis also confirms that George W. Rhone was Mobley’s son.

In 1851, George Rone and Price Oliver were chain carriers for the survey of the 320-acre grant of Nathaniel Shirley, deceased. The heirs of Nathaniel Shirley brought suit against Mobley Rhone in 1856 for their share of land in their father’s estate, which likely was these 320 acres. Since Nathaniel Shirley had died in 1849, it appears it was his widow, or her new husband, Mobley Rhone, who had ordered the survey that George Rone had participated in. It was likely her death around 1854 that precipitated the lawsuit.

Green Merideth’s wife was Caroline, born 1825 in North Carolina. Her age and those of the Rhones in her 1850 household suggest the typical birth order that would result from having had the same mother, so, even without DNA results, it is most probable that she was Mobley’s daughter. She was widowed by the time of the 1860 Census, and working on her farm as a laborer was George Rhone, born 1833 (who could only be the George W. Rhone found in her household in the 1850 Census, and the George Rhone from the Shirley survey).

Though Mobley is missing from the 1850 Census for Houston County, Texas, he and his new wife Sarah are found on consecutive lines of the tax rolls there for that year. That suggests that it was likely a very brief absence that caused them to be away from the area, and which meant that they were not present for the enumeration of that Census.

Mobley appears in the 1860 Census for Houston County, Texas with his new wife Elizabeth (undocumented sources state that her maiden name was Brewster) and eight children. Although all the children are listed with the surname of Rhone, most were Elizabeth’s children by her previous marriage to John Champion Oliver. But three of the children were Mobley’s by his earlier marriage to the widow of Nathaniel Shirley: they were Sarah D., Sylvian L., and William. William was born about 1854, suggesting

¹⁵ Dwelling 677, household 697.

that Mobley had married Elizabeth around 1855 or 1856, and also suggesting a possible cause of Sarah's death (complications of childbirth).

In 1867, Mobley and Elizabeth sold off their Houston County, Texas property, and in 1868 they purchased 200 acres in Anderson County, Texas. Some of Elizabeth's children were also living in Anderson County, suggesting that the move may have been so that she could be closer to her children.

In the 1870 Census, Mobley is living in Anderson County, Texas, with Elizabeth and three children: Sarah D., Sylvanus S, and William. Mobley was listed in tax records there in 1873 and 1874. In 1871, he gave permission for his son Sylvanus to marry Sallie Trim. And in August 1875, the fiancée of S. [Sarah] D. Rhone testified that she was of age and had no living parents, so Mobley Rhone had died by that date. [Note: marriage records prior to 1882 for abutting Houston County are non-extant, or there would be additional direct evidence of the identities of Mobley's children.]

On 10 Dec 1875, E. L. Rhone, "widow of M. Rhone," sold her 220 acres to G. W. Whitley. Thus, Mobley had died in or near Palestine, Texas, which is what caused T.J. Rone to suggest that he had been a pioneer of that locality.

Harvey Newton Rhone

Mobley wasn't the only Rhone living in Houston County, Texas. There was also Harvey Newton Rhone, who had emigrated to the Republic of Texas on 12 Jun 1839. He died by 1 Jul 1840, when the Heirs of Harvey Newton Rhone were granted conditional certificate #245 for 320 acres of 3rd class land issued by the Houston County Board of Land Commissioners.¹⁶

On 1 Jul 1840, Mobley Rhone testified that the certificate issued to "Harvey Newton Rhone, deceased" for 320 acres of land in Pecan County, Bexar District, had been lost.

Third class headright grants were given to people who emigrated to the Republic of Texas between 1 Oct 1837 and 1 Jan 1840. Heads of family (including Mobley) were entitled to 640 acres, whereas single men over the age of 17 (such as Harvey) were only allowed 320 acres.¹⁷

The fact that Harvey never appeared on a Houston County, Texas tax list suggests that he was not yet of age, and thus not yet subject to the poll tax. As such, it is likely that he was Mobley's son, and was between 17 and 21 years old when he died. In such an instance, his heirs would consist of his parents, who would inherit one half of his estate, and his siblings, who each would inherit a proportional share of the remaining half of his estate.

The 1830 Census

The one factor complicating the conclusions reached thus far is the record of Mobley's 1830 Census household. Specifically, the Census for Lincoln County, North Carolina, where a Mobley Roan, born between 1800 and 1810, had a household that included no daughters and only two sons: one under age 5

¹⁶ Found in various records at www.glo.texas.gov.

¹⁷ <https://tshaonline.org/handbook/online/articles/mpl01>

and another under age 10. That would seem to be contrary to many conclusions reached in the preceding subsection.

But it appears there is a simple explanation for this: there are virtually no females listed on that page of the Census (just a few, near the top and bottom of the page). That implies that the material from which the official census was transcribed had been somehow damaged, and most of the information about females became lost or illegible and was not recorded. It *does not mean* that Mobley's first wife had died prior to the 1830 Census. Indeed, this fact makes that possibility highly unlikely.

DNA Analysis

As will be discussed more fully later, a pool of AncestryDNA results for Rone/Rhone/Roan/Roane descendants was compiled, to hopefully fill in some gaps created by the destruction of various public records of interest. For Mobley's line, this effort produced the following results:

1. That Mobley Rhone was, indeed, the brother of Mathew Rone and Samuel Rone, Junior,
2. That Caroline (Rhone) Merideth, wife of Green Merideth, was the daughter of Mobley Rhone, and
3. That George W. Rhone was definitely Mobley's son.

Other results show how Mobley Rhone relates to other descendants of William Rone, Senior, and that is covered in [Appendix G](#). See [The Rone DNA Pool: Condensed DNA Results](#) for the data compiled as part of this effort.

Mobley's Children and Grandchildren

The following are the known children of Mobley Rhone, by at least two different wives. The first five were by his marriage to Mary Prater. The last three were by his marriage to the widow of Nathaniel Shirley:

1. **Harvey Newton Rhone**, likely born about 1821, died 1839.
2. **Caroline Rhone**, born about 1825 in North Carolina. She was still living in Houston County, Texas at the 1880 Census. She married **Green Merideth**, probably around 1845 or 1846 in Houston County. They had four children together:
 - a. **Jonathan Merideth**, born about 1847.
 - b. **Nancy Merideth**, born 10 Jan 1848, died 9 Mar 1924. She married first **Mr. Alison**, and second **Thomas W. Oliver**. Since the date of these marriages are unknown, it is not known which children from these marriages were hers.
 - c. **James Mobley Merideth**, born 8 Oct 1850, died 27 Mar 1937. He married **Sallie Jane Cheairs**, and they had at least four children together.
 - d. **Dora Mae Merideth**, born 3 Jan 1855, died 6 Feb 1899. She married **James Benjamin Ash**, and they had at least six children together.
3. **Malinda R. Rhone**, born about 1826. She married **William Thomas "WT" Toney**. They had two children together:
 - a. **George Harvey Toney**, born about 1856. He married **Sarah Eugenia Henderson** and they had at least one daughter together.
 - b. **Mary Angeline Toney**, born 1 Mar 1867, died 3 Dec 1950. She married **Charles Montgomery Alford** in 1883 in Houston County, Texas. They had seven children together.
4. **James M. Rhone**, born about 1830.
5. **George W. Rhone**, born 23 Sep 1832, died 27 Feb 1890. He married **Mary Ann Evelyn Nelson**, and they had three children together:
 - a. **George Mobley Rhone**, born 17 Apr 1872, died 1 Oct 1956. He married **Tera Alice Cain** and they had two children together.
 - b. **Sarah Grace Rhone**, born 22 Mar 1874, died 5 Apr 1912. She married **John Edward Allbright** on 24 Mar 1897. They had three children together.
 - c. **John Lawrence Rhone**, born 19 Mar 1880, died 10 Nov 1950 in California. He married **Lula Gifford** on 30 Dec 1905 in Texas.
6. **Sylvanus L. Rhone**, born about 1852, died 22 Sep 1889. He married first **Sallie E. Trim** on 28 Jun 1871 in Anderson County, Texas. It appears that they had no children, and by 1878 he married second **Eliza** or **Louisa J. Raines**, probably in Houston County, Texas (which would explain why there is no record of their marriage). They had at least five children:
 - a. **Adda Rhone**, born about 1878.
 - b. **Unnamed male Rhone**, born about 1879.
 - c. **Hattie Rhone**, born Feb 1882, died 1913. She married **Will Edward Bynum** on 1 Nov 1901 in Houston County, Texas. They had two daughters together.
 - d. **James Franklin Rhone**, born 24 Mar 1884, died 9 Aug 1969. He married first **Della Hill** on 18 Sep 1902 in Houston County, and they had two daughters together. He married second **Ida Ann Morgan** in 1910 in Houston County, and they had three children together. He married third **Myrtie Sarah McDonald**, and they had several children together.

- e. **Jesse Dee Rhone**, born 16 Jan 1888, died 9 Jan 1975. He married **Maude Alice Dickey** on 12 Sep 1908 in Houston County. They had several children together.
- 7. **Sarah D. Rhone**, born about 1853, died 1888. She married **Edward Randolph Lyon** on 26 Aug 1875 in Anderson County, Texas, and they had three children together:
 - a. **Lena Lucy Lyon**, born Jul 1876. She married **William Richard Richardson** on 7 Jun 1896 in Fisher County, Texas. They had at least four children together.
 - b. **Effie Pearl Lyon**, born 2 Feb 1878, died 26 Jun 1965. She married **Richard Isham Bass**, and they had two children together.
 - c. **William Weaver Lyon**, born 1885, died 1885.
- 8. **William Rhone**. The 1860 and 1870 Census both record that William was born in 1854. On 14 May 1896, **W. T. Rhone** of Crockett, Texas died in San Antonio, Texas at age 39 (born 1856 or 1857). A **W. T. Rhone** is said to have married **Ruth Wayland** in Limestone County, Texas (which was about 50 miles from where William Rhone was living in the 1870 Census) on 11 Dec 1878 (when he would have been around 21 years of age). There seems to be no paper trail to conclusively prove that this **W. T. Rhone** was Mobley's youngest son, but one descendant of this line has DNA matches to descendants of both Mobley Rhone and Matthew Rone. And the distance of those matches is indicative of their being an extra generation closer to descendants of Mobley Rhone.
 - a. **Nora Loretta (Rhone) Wayland**, born 9 Oct 1879, died 21 Apr 1970. She married **James Granville Stovall** in 1899 in Limestone County, Texas, and they had a son and two daughters together.

Mathew L. Rone

T.J.'s bio provides sufficient details about Mathew and his wife, that there would seem to be no need to expand upon his effort. But his account only provides the names of Mathew's children by his first wife, Emaline Fowler, and it omits details about the children by his second wife, Martha Holman. So, this section expands a bit upon T.J.'s story, by adding Mathew's children by Martha, and his known grandchildren by both wives.

Mathew's Children and Grandchildren by Emaline Fowler

As previously stated, Mathew and Emaline (Fowler) Rone left Bedford County, Tennessee around 1835, moving to Ray County, Missouri, where all of their children were born:

1. **Samuel Rone**, their eldest child, was born about 1836. T.J.'s bio states that he died at age 17, or around 1853.
2. **Nathaniel Henderson Rone** was born next, on 3 Jan 1837. He died on 7 Jul 1914 in Douglas County, Oregon. He married first **Mary A. Copeland** on 5 Feb 1857 in Ray County. They had one daughter:
 - a. **Sarah Adaline Rone**, born 14 Feb 1858, died 25 Dec 1940. She married **Thomas Otis Henderson** in 1878, and they had several children together.**Nathaniel Henderson Rone** married second **Eliza Jane Rice** on 6 Oct 1867 in Douglas County, Oregon. They had at least three children:
 - b. **Merica Mabel Rone**, born 7 Jan 1869 in Douglas County, Oregon, died 14 Dec 1971. She married **Charles Harvey Hunt** on 14 Feb 1888, and they had one child together. She later married **Horace McNutt** and then **Frank Chase**.
 - c. **Edgar Lowery Rone**, born Apr 1871, died 12 Jan 1928. He married **Mary Margaret O'Mara** on 25 Mar 1908. They had two sons.
 - d. **Frank Henderson Rone**, born 21 Jul 1880, died 30 Jul 1953. He married **Pearl Williams** on 5 Jul 1910. They had one son together.
3. **Thomas J. "T.J." Rone** was born 24 Nov 1838, died 27 Jul 1907. He married **Mary Elizabeth Murrell** on 18 Feb 1866 in Cooke County, Texas. They had several children together:
 - a. **Elwood Bell Rone**, born about 1870, died about 1888.
 - b. **Emma L. Rone**, born Jul 1872, died 17 Jun 1939. She married **John Richard Belcher** in 1892 in Texas. They had two children.
 - c. **Dove S. Rone**, born 22 Feb 1877, died 18 Mar 1940. She married **Joe Trousdale Burgher** on 26 Apr 1901. They had no children.
 - d. **Myrtle Rone**, born about 1879, died about 1886.
4. **William Henry Harrison Rone** was born 9 Jan 1840, died 21 Mar 1919. He married **Eliza Jane Campbell** about 1859, as told in the following account.

"When [William Henry Harrison Rone] was nineteen, he was offered a job in Kansas. He did not want to go because he had a girlfriend. His mother suggested he should marry the girl and take her with him. So he married Eliza Jane Campbell who was only fourteen. By the time the first child was born, they were living in Ray County, Missouri. There were nine children and seven who reached adulthood. Perrie was sixteen when he

died of an accident in the family sawmill.¹⁸ Daisy was thirteen when she died. All the other children married and had families.

"The Rone men made their living through lumber. They either logged or owned or worked in sawmills.

"The couple had moved to town in their declining years. Henry would become disoriented. At times he was restless and would ask to go home. Henry Harrison, his grandson and namesake, called him "Paw" and he would offer to take him back. He would walk him out one door, around the house and back into the house by another door and tell him he was home. Henry died of what they believed was cancer of the brain. While he was in his last hours of life, Eliza Jane would sit very quietly beside his bed. Her extremely quiet manner frightened Harrison's very young bride of ten months.¹⁹ Eliza followed him in death in less than a year."

William and Eliza had a large family together:

- a. **William Henderson Rone**, born 23 Oct 1861, died 1 Apr 1930. He married **Mary Alice Richardson** on 27 Dec 1894 in Ray County, Missouri. They had three daughters together.
- b. **Cora Lee Rone**, born 27 Mar 1864, died 5 Oct 1924. She married first **Wyatt Pixley Tuley** on 6 Nov 1881. They had one daughter together. She married second **George F. Ecke** on 14 Dec 1898. There were no children by that marriage.
- c. **Perrie D. Rone**, born 8 Dec 1868, died 16 May 1886.
- d. **George Anderson Rone**, born 26 Mar 1871, died 5 Dec 1947. He married **Lizzie Catherine Clark** on 5 Nov 1891. They had two sons together.
- e. **Daisy Rone**, born 1873, died 1886.
- f. **Warren Donaldson "Dock" Rone**, born 17 May 1876, died 13 Aug 1940. He married first **Julia Ann McCubbin** on 15 Apr 1897. They had five children together. He married second **Willie Keener** on 31 Oct 1930.
- g. **Leona Leta Rone**, born 28 Jul 1878, died 24 May 1934. She married **William Edward Watson** on 26 May 1897. They had three daughters together.
- h. **Robert Roy Rone**, born 23 Jul 1884, died 30 Oct 1965. He married **Iva Belle Wilson** on 28 Dec 1905. They had three children together.
- i. **Homer Harrison Rone**, born 2 Mar 1889, died 1 Sep 1944. He married **Gladys May Yoakum** on 22 Feb 1908. They had two daughters together.
5. **Meda Ann Rone**, born 29 May 1842, died 6 Feb 1915. She married **Thomas Hardwell Belt** on 19 Nov 1857. They had nine children together:
 - a. **Fannie Belt**, born about 1859.
 - b. **Mattie Belt**, born about 1864, died 24 Nov 1947. She married **John McCroskie** on 9 Oct 1883. They had three children together.
 - c. **Walter Tilman Belt**, born about 1866, died 11 Nov 1932. He married first **Lizzie Clevenger** on 2 Oct 1887, and married second **Lucy Maud Abbott** on 31 Jan 1907. There were no children by either marriage.

¹⁸ Told to Virginia Lee (Rone) Mayes in the summer of 1993 by Stella Gae (Rone) Stone - 1405 West Stone Boulevard, Raymore, Missouri 64083. Stella was the daughter of Roy, the eighth child in this family. Roy and Iva, his wife, told stories about the Rone family.

¹⁹ This story has been told throughout the years by Merle (Orr) Rone-Carlson. She was the wife of Harrison Rone. She is now deceased. Virginia Lee (Rone) Mayes, 11426 East 14th Street, Independence, Missouri 64052, March 1996, Find A Grave Memorial # 10460423.

- d. **Lucy Ida Belt**, born 3 Nov 1868, died 27 Jul 1950. She married first **Daniel D. Searcy** on 4 Oct 1885. They had three children together. She later married **Gerome Miller**.
 - e. **William Claud Belt**, born 21 Dec 1870, died 30 Jul 1927. He married **Sarah Emily Watson**. They had five children together.
 - f. **Frank Taylor Belt**, born 9 Nov 1872, died 20 Mar 1940. He never married.
 - g. **Oscar Lee Belt**, born 9 Sep 1874, died 16 Jan 1937. He married **Ola Jane Sweatman** on 13 Jan 1898. They had two children together.
 - h. **Rosa Lena Belt**, born 21 Oct 1877, died 2 Jun 1950. She married **James Watson** on 10 Oct 1897, and they had one daughter together. She then married **Benjamin Franklin Prichard** on 17 Apr 1907. They had six children together.
 - i. **Charles Emet Belt**, born 23 Mar 1884. He married **Leta Jane Crowley** on 20 Nov 1905 and they had one son together. They divorced in 1926.
6. **George Milo Rone**, born 4 Mar 1846, died 12 Dec 1920. He married first **Martha Ellen Creason** on 24 Jul 1873 in Ray County, Missouri. They had six children together:
- a. **Emma Rone**, born about 1874.
 - b. **James Rile Rone**, born 26 Aug 1876, died 5 Sep 1945. He married first **Cordelia Ann Fain** around 1900, and they four children together. He later married **Rosa Clevenger**, but they had no children.
 - c. **Lula Rone**, born about 1879.
 - d. **Milo Thomas Rone**, born 2 Feb 1881, died 16 Jul 1951. He married **Calvina Malinda Mills**. They had one daughter together.
 - e. **Lillian Bertha Rone**, born 19 Oct 1883, died 26 Aug 1976. She married **Frederick Benjamin Petree** and they had six children together.
 - f. **Floice Franklin Rone**, born 22 Dec 1886, died 27 Mar 1966. She married **Joseph Franklin Logan** on 9 Feb 1905 in Ray County, Missouri. They had six children.
- George Milo Rone** married second **Margaret Cox** on 9 Jul 1891 in Ray County, Missouri. They had no children together. His third marriage to **Martha Elizabeth Milligan** took place on 20 Oct 1895 in Ray County. They had ten children together:
- g. **Beatrice Agnes Rone**, born 16 Dec 1896, died Jun 1898.
 - h. **George Dewey Rone**, born 13 Jan 1899, died 27 Jan 1955. He married **Gladys Elizabeth Schenewerk**. Their one son was stillborn.
 - i. **William Franklin Rone**, born 23 Dec 1901, died 24 Apr 1972. He married **Beatrice Roberta MNU**. They had no children.
 - j. **Samuel Fowler Rone**, born 31 Dec 1903, died 26 Mar 1981. He married **Lucy Elizabeth Creason** on 6 Jan 1932 in Ray County, Missouri. They had four children together.
 - k. **Anna Florence Rone**, born 28 Jun 1906, died 25 Mar 1989. She married first **Len Lomax Cradit**, and they had at least one son together. She later married **Theodore Hitt**.
 - l. **Allen N. Rone**, born 27 May 1909, died 12 Sep 1977. He married **Eunice Mae MNU**.
 - m. **Everett Ellis Rone**, born 7 Jan 1912, died Jan 1996. He married first **Thelma Lorene Shelton**, and they had at least two daughters. He later married **Rilla Esther King**.
 - n. **Elva Electra Rone**, born 17 Jan 1912, died 7 Aug 1991. She married first **John F. Sandstrom**, and they had at least one son. She later married **Mr. Denham**.
 - o. **Grace Rone**, born 1 Aug 1914, died 1 Sep 1920.

- p. **Junior Rone**, born 13 Jan 1917, died 16 May 1976. He married **Sarah Margaret Kemper**, and they had five children together.
- 7. **Louisa M. Rone**, born about 1848.
- 8. **Mathew Anderson Rone**, born 12 Jun 1850.
- 9. **Sarah D. "Sally" Rone**, born about 1852, died before 1880. She married **Anderson Louis Gaston** on 12 Oct 1873. They had one daughter together:
 - a. **Lillie May Gaston** born Nov 1874. See married **Franklin Pierce Stephens** on 31 Jan 1891. They had six children together.

Mathew's Children and Grandchildren by Martha Holman

Emaline (Fowler) Rone died about 1854. Mathew then remarried, to Martha H. Holman, on 30 Nov 1854 in Ray County, Missouri. They had several children together, and all were born in Ray County, with the sole exception of the youngest son. He was born in Benton County, Arkansas, where his parents had moved to between 1868 and 1870. Martha's 1900 Census record states that she was the mother of seven children, five of whom were alive at that time (Louanna had died less than a week before then, and Joseph had died earlier). However, earlier Census records show that she had a total of eight children, all born before 1880.

1. **Willis Warner Rone**, born 16 Dec 1857, died 18 Dec 1932. He married **Sarah Ann Smith** on 26 Jan 1890 in Benton County, Arkansas. They had three children together:
 - a. **William Henry Rone**, born 7 Jan 1890, died May 1968. He married first **Ellen C. Sachtjen**, and they had one son together. He later married **Cora Corn**.
 - b. **Emma May Rone**, born 26 Jan 1895, died 14 Apr 1942. She married first **Clarence Everett Davis**, and they had a son together. She later married **Harley Edgar McDonald**.
 - c. **Dortha Lorene Rone**, born about 1914, died 8 May 1921.
2. **Louanna Josephine Rone**, born about 1859, died 16 Jun 1900. She married **Newton Jasper Fowler** on 26 Feb 1879 in Benton County, Arkansas. They had ten children together:
 - a. **Jack Fowler**, born 9 Mar 1882, died 21 Feb 1963. He married **Rose Francis Williams**, and they had six children.
 - b. **Anna Bell Fowler**, born 7 Oct 1883, died 12 Jun 1968. She married **George Washington Mills** on 23 Nov 1899 in Washington County, Arkansas. They had five children together.
 - c. **Sarah Ellen Fowler**, born 5 Mar 1886, died 14 Mar 1925. She married **Daniel N. Strate** on 9 May 1906 in McDonald County, Missouri. They had at least six children together.
 - d. **Joseph Barton Fowler**, born 17 Jun 1886, died 8 Sep 1965. He married **Belle MNU**. They had two sons.
 - e. **Benjamin Franklin Fowler**, born 26 Jul 1887, died 12 Dec 1954. He married **Clara L. Cooper**, and they had four children.
 - f. **Cora Jane Fowler**, born 28 Oct 1891, died 9 Dec 1917. She married first **Oliver Edward Castor**. They had one son. She married next **Isaac Milford Martin**, and they had one daughter together.
 - g. **Hugh Denselmore Fowler**, born 5 Feb 1892, died 22 Sep 1955. He married first **Nettie Madge Ream** on 4 Feb 1913 in Benton County, Arkansas. They had one son together. He married next **Mary Ellen Hylton** on 16 Jun 1926 in Cherokee County, Kansas. They had at least two children together.
 - h. **Lena Mae Fowler**, born 30 Jan 1895, died 12 Dec 1954. She married **George Mack Vice** and they had six children together.
 - i. **Sallie Fowler**, born 9 Mar 1899, died 24 Jan 1981. She married **Thomas S. Harrison** on 5 Jul 1914 in Newton County, Missouri. They had five children.
3. **James Nelson Rone**, born 21 Nov 1861, died 14 Oct 1912. He married first **Easter Lucinda Catherine Downey** on 8 Jan 1885 in Benton County, Arkansas. They had a dozen children together. In later life, he married **Ms. Basnett**.
 - a. **William Mathew Rone**, born 18 Sep 1885, died before the 1900 Census.

- b. **James Eli Rone**, born 21 Jul 1887, died 21 Feb 1968. He married **Dovie L. White**, and they had one daughter together.
- c. **John Nelson Rone**, born 27 Oct 1889, died 17 Apr 1958. He married **Minnie Cawthen** on 21 Jan 1920 in Benton County, Arkansas. They had no children.
- d. **Warner Willis Rone**, born 9 Feb 1892, died 20 Nov 1981. He married **Ida M. Young** on 26 Nov 1919 in Benton County, Arkansas, and they had one daughter.
- e. **Samuel Rone**, born 14 Nov 1894, died before the 1900 Census.
- f. **Mary Anna Rone**, born 20 Jul 1895, died 19 Apr 1979. She married **Jesse Welch**, and they had three daughters.
- g. **Ella Rone**, born 14 Oct 1898, died 12 Mar 1962. She married **Viller Blackburn Osbourn** on 30 Sep 1916 in Benton County, Arkansas. They had one daughter.
- h. **Edmond Rone**, born 20 Nov 1901, died 22 Jul 1971. He married **Eulah Anglin** on 1 Apr 1923 in Benton County, Arkansas, and they had one son together.
- i. **Charles Rone**, born 26 Aug 1904, died 24 Oct 1961. He married **Clara Jane Rutherford** on 1 Feb 1924. They had at least three sons together.
- j. **Grace Louverna Rone**, born 5 Jul 1907, died 23 Aug 2001. She married **Grover R. Basnett**, and they had at least four children together.
- k. **Lucinda Rone**, born 17 Jul 1910, died 12 Aug 1994. She married **William H. Elliott** on 24 Dec 1927 in Benton County, Arkansas. They had at least three sons.
- l. **George Rone**, born 17 Jul 1910, died 30 May 1975. It is not known if he ever married.
- 4. **Lucy Jane "Lizzie" Rone**, born 6 May 1863, died 7 Nov 1933. She married **Calloway Crouse** on 20 Dec 1891 in Benton County, Arkansas. They had three children:
 - a. **Delphia Irene Crouse**, born 6 Sep 1892, died 29 Apr 1982. She married **Lanier Holt** on 19 Aug 1908 in Benton County, Arkansas. They had four children.
 - b. **Verna P. Crouse**, born 23 Apr 1894, died 13 Apr 1969. She married **Hugh A. Duncan**.
 - c. **Charles Wilford Crouse**, born 14 Apr 1899, died 21 Feb 1968. He married **Marie M. Schell** on 4 Oct 1920 in McDonald County, Missouri. They had at least ten children together.
- 5. **Wiley Holman Rone**, born Dec 1865, died 5 Mar 1925. He married **Martha Jane Scoggins** on 2 Feb 1895 in Benton County, Arkansas. They had no children.
- 6. **Martha Ann Rone**, born 15 Mar 1867, died 25 Jan 1923. She married **William Lafayette Chastain** on 5 Apr 1885 in Benton County, Arkansas. They had six daughters:
 - a. **Martha E. Chastain**, born Mar 1885, died before the 1900 Census.
 - b. **Lauria Chastain**, born 25 Jul 1886, died Dec 1970. She married **James Carson Hendrickson** on 13 Dec 1903 in Benton County, Arkansas. They had at least five children.
 - c. **Georgia L. Chastain**, born 1887, died 31 Jul 1891.
 - d. **Amanda Jane Chastain**, born 8 Oct 1888, died 7 Aug 1981. She married **James Baxter Hensley** on 31 May 1906 in Benton County, Arkansas. They had five children.
 - e. **Rosa Lee Chastain**, born 6 Apr 1891, died 27 Mar 1933. She married **Samuel Luther Browning** on 28 Mar 1926 in Benton County, Arkansas. They likely had no children.
 - f. **Geneva Chastain**, born 18 Nov 1898, died 18 Nov 1898.
- 7. **Wilson Simpson Rone**, born 11 May 1868, died 22 Dec 1940. He married first **Myrtle Rebecca Walfenberger** on 21 Apr 1898 in Benton County, Arkansas. They had two children together:

- a. **Martha E. Rone**, born 12 Mar 1899, died Mar 1973. She married **Mr. Merritt**, though she likely had been married previous to that.
 - b. **Elizabeth Mary Rone**, born 26 Aug 1901, died 8 Dec 1990. She married **Leonard Leroy Noblitt** on 31 Aug 1924 in Benton County, Arkansas. They had at least one daughter.
- Wilson Simpson Rone** married second **Myrtle E. Oakes**. They had six children together:
- c. **Pauline Rone**, born 30 Sep 1905, died Apr 1970. She married **Thomas J. Moss** on 31 Dec 1932 in McDonald County, Missouri. They had two sons.
 - d. **Louanna Rone**, born 31 May 1908, died Jan 1984. She married **Earnest Raymond Summers** on 15 Sep 1930 in Benton County, Arkansas. They had at least three children.
 - e. **Clara S. Rone**, born 13 Sep 1910, died 13 Sep 1994. She married **Harley L. Carriker** on 2 Jul 1932 in Benton County, Arkansas. They had at least two sons. She later married **Louis J. Stouder**.
 - f. **Stella Jan Rone**, born 24 Jan 1912, died 29 Sep 1927.
 - g. **Woodrow Wilson Rone**, born 12 Sep 1916, died 25 Apr 1990. He married **Evelyn Belle Inscoe** on 14 Jul 1934 in Benton County, Arkansas, and they had at least two children.
 - h. **Rebecca Mae Rone**, born 17 Jun 1925, died 17 Nov 2002. She married **Clarence Odell Boyette**.
8. **Joseph Rone**, born about 1871.

The Rone DNA Pool

Thus far, all of the clear clues contained in T.J. Rone's bio have been analyzed, and the majority have been verified. But we are unable to locate a third son named John who was said to have moved to Mississippi, and it would be nice to have a bit more evidence that the Scottish father of Mathew Rone and Mobley Rhone was indeed the Samuel Rone found in the 1810 and 1820 Census for Mecklenburg County, North Carolina. But how can we do that, when it seems we have pretty much exhausted the meager supply of extant public records? The answer is analysis of autosomal DNA results, particularly the millions of such results which are linked to public family trees at Ancestry.com.

Autosomal DNA (marketed by Ancestry.com as AncestryDNA) is inherited in almost equal amounts from each parent, and there is a large quantity of it, consisting of long strands of DNA arranged in unique sequences. With each generation, the amount of DNA from a particular ancestor is halved. This starts with your parents, who each contribute half of your DNA. Each of them inherited half each from their parents, and so on, throughout every generation. Most DNA fragments retain sufficient uniqueness above a certain length (roughly 6-7 centimorgans) that they remain useful for analysis. Once there are six generations from you to a particular ancestor (yourself included), the utility of analyzing autosomal DNA starts to diminish. But it is not until around the ninth generation that the odds of inheriting no DNA from a particular ancestor starts to become significant. And after that things drop off very quickly.

What analysis of AncestryDNA can tell you is how distantly related you may be to other people who also have such results, if those results overlap to some degree. But it cannot tell you who your shared relative or relatives may have been. To begin to determine that requires results that are linked to an accurate paper trail. Not all trees at Ancestry.com are accurate, but it is a good place to start. For those results included in the Pool, each line of descent for a potential Rone DNA match was verified from Samuel Rone's generation or farther back, up to around the 1930/1940 Census. This included many results where the tree owner had not extended their tree back in time much beyond 1930, but who matched the same lineage of others, whose trees were more complete.

Once you have completed an AncestryDNA test, Ancestry.com assesses your degree of relatedness to other people who also have such results, based upon the amount of matching DNA. It also looks at information contained in the trees connected to those results, looking for a common ancestor who might have been responsible for that DNA. Such possible matches are marked as hints, and hints display the suspected lineage to a shared ancestor from the trees of the owners of both results. While just one or two such matches won't tell you much about your ancestry, a large pool of results does begin to paint a fairly clear picture of which people of interest are descended from particular Rone lineages.

The complete Rone DNA Pool is included at the end of this section, but I need to first describe how it was created. It began with filtering my AncestryDNA results for DNA matches that were attached to trees that contained the surnames of Rone, Roan, Roane or Rhone (or, occasionally, a unique surname found in Mathew's, Mobley's or Samuel's descendants, such as the uniquely spelled Merideth). The trees of each of those matches was inspected to see if they contained an ancestor of any of the known or suspected Rones identified by T.J. Rone's biography, or those identified in my own research. For those that did, I recorded the length of DNA and number of segments, as well as their lineage back to a known or suspected child of either Samuel Rone, Senior or Clement Rone.

My own results provided a very limited viewpoint, since my great grandfather was my closest Rone ancestor. To expand the pool, I began soliciting other Rone descendants, asking if they would invite me to view their AncestryDNA results. I call those who agreed to participate “samples.” For each sample, I reviewed their results as I had done my own, recording the matches in the Pool. I also reviewed the DNA Circles of each of the samples, which helped to identify additional Rone descendants who hadn’t yet connected to their Rone ancestor, but whose ancestry could be readily determined from available public records. The Pool ended up with ten samples and more than 100 descendants of William Rone, Senior who have at least one match to a descendant of Mathew Rone, Samuel Rone, Junior or Mobley Rhone. These results were filtered to remove the weakest matches, resulting in 55 descendants in the final table. The following two subsections briefly touch upon the most significant findings of this effort.

Rebecca Rone: A Missing Sister

Given the lack of early marriage records in Bedford County, Tennessee, the odds were certainly stacked against any chance of learning the identity of any of Samuel Rone’s three daughters. But that view turns out to have been a bit pessimistic, because sometime prior to the 1840 Census, Samuel Rone had moved to Lincoln County, Tennessee, where marriage records of that time period are extant. And on 13 Jan 1840, Rebecca²⁰ Roane married James Woodard there.

Within Samuel’s 1840 Census household are three males and one female who were between the ages of 20 and 29. And within just a few neighboring households, Samuel had four different Woodard neighbors. Since there is no 1840 Census record for James Woodard, it is strongly suspected that Rebecca and James were two of the 20 to 29-year-olds in Samuel’s household that year.

Rebecca had a great grandson named Calvin Mobley Arnold, and the Henderson surname was used as a given name for some of her descendants (it also appears repeatedly in Mathew’s descendants), which helps to lend some additional credence to the DNA results.

Because the DNA evidence for Rebecca was fairly straightforward (despite AncestryDNA results being found for just two of her descendants) it will be discussed in more detail a bit later, in a section about her and her family.

Samuel Rone, Junior: The Missing Brother

There have been a number of circumstantial clues (scattered throughout miscellaneous records listed in [Appendix E](#) and recapped in a later, more detailed section devoted to Samuel Rone, Junior) that suggest that Mathew and Mobley’s brother may have been named Samuel, and not John. The main reason for creating the large Rone DNA Pool was to evaluate, and hopefully prove, that hypothesis.

There is already direct proof, in the form of T.J. Rone’s bio, that Mathew Rone and Mobley Rhone were brothers. The initial premise was that Samuel Rone, Junior, who is found in records of Bedford County, Tennessee around the time that Mathew Rone left there, had to have been either 1) their brother, or 2) their cousin - a grandson of Clement Rone (and thus a nephew of Samuel Rone, Senior). So, if Junior was

²⁰ Incorrectly transcribed at Ancestry.com as “Renah.”

Senior's son, the amount of DNA that his descendants inherited from their common ancestors (William Rone and his wife) would on average be more than twice what it would be if he were a nephew. That's a fairly simple and objective test, and one that is easy to evaluate. But it requires a large pool of data, in order to allow the variable results to average themselves out.

Additionally, the specific segments of DNA that siblings inherit from their parents are not be same (unless they are identical twins). On average, for any two siblings, only about half of the DNA that they inherit from their parents will overlap, and the balance will be different. That is why having representation from as many unique lines of descent as possible helps to improve the accuracy of any conclusions drawn from a large number of distant matches, such as those found in the Rone Pool.

We each have a lot of autosomal DNA, comprised of long strands arranged in unique sequences. Even when the percentage of DNA that you inherit from a particular ancestor is only a percent or so, there are still strands of DNA that are long enough for the odds to be fairly very remote against an unrelated person having a strand with the same sequence.

Table illustrating the two possible relationships for Samuel Rone, Jr, and how that affects the amount of matchable Rone DNA.

William Rone (100%) & wife <i>parents</i>		
Samuel & Middy (Lowrey) Rone, Sr. (50% from William) <i>child</i>	On average, half of this 50% is typically shared by siblings	Clement & Creasy Rone (50% from William) <i>child</i>
Mathew Rone, Mobley Rhone & Samuel Rone? (25% from William) <i>grandchildren</i>	On average, half of this 25% is typically shared by siblings	Harbert, Solomon, Catherine, William & John Rone (25% from William) <i>grandchildren</i>
	On average, half of this 12.5% is typically shared by siblings	Samuel Rone? (12.5% from William) <i>great grandchild</i>

The two dozen results in the DNA pool for Clement Rone's descendants provide an expected level of contrast to the results of descendants of Mathew and Mobley. As shown in the table above, Samuel's and Clement's children would have each inherited roughly 25% of their DNA from William Rone. But not the same 25%. Additionally, they would have inherited 50% of their DNA from their maternal side (Middy Lowrey or Creasy [MNU]). So, if Samuel Rone, Junior was the son of Samuel Rone, Senior, he would

show significantly more relatedness to the descendants of Mathew and Mobley than to any descendants of Clement Rone. And that is exactly what the DNA analysis shows.

There is some imbalance of the results that is apparent when viewing the lines of Mathew, Mobley and Samuel, Jr. The amount of imbalance is consistent with the variability of inheritance, a reflection that the amount of overlap of their shared Rone DNA (both as pairs of cousins and in groups) is slightly different for each of them.

But, overall, a general symmetry was found within the large number of results, meaning that results for many of the rows of the table show matches to descendants of two or all three of the brothers, and that the range of the amount of shared DNA was within an expectedly narrow range, dependent of course upon each testee's genetic distance to Samuel Rone, Senior. The conclusion reached was that the large number of consistent results could only be possible if the three men were brothers. The final Rone DNA Pool is found in the following table. Following that, the narrative will return to a more detailed discussion of Rebecca (Rone) Woodard and Samuel Rone, Junior.

Condensed DNA Results

						SAMUEL RONE, SENIOR									
						MATHEW L. RONE					SAMUEL RONE, JUNIOR		MOBLEY H. RHONE		
						GEORGE	LOUANNA	WILLIAM H. H.			LONDON		GEORGE W.	CAROLINE	
		Total # of Generations from Samuel Rone, Sr to AncestryDNA Owner		AncestryDNA OWNER		5 gen	6 gen	7 gen	7 gen	8 gen	6 gen	7 gen	6 gen	7 gen	9 gen
						Robert Rone	Lonnie Vice	Steve Malone	Karen Walker	Tom Longfellow	Lourinda Smith	Charles Bennett	Richard Rhone	Ruthanne Mashchenko	Keary Vaughn
SAMUEL RONE, SENIOR	MATHEW L. RONE	WILLIAM H. H.	7 gen	Bonnie Adams	4C 46.2 cM 4 segments		Distant 15.8 cM 2 segments	1C 936.5 cM 41 segments	Distant 6.1 cM 1 segment		Distant 7.1 cM 1 segment	4C 30.7 cM 2 segments			
		MEDA ANN	6 gen	Charles Belt	3C 121 cM 10 segments	4C 21.0 cM 2 segments	4C 48 cM 3 segments	4C 27.1 cM 2 segments		Distant 18.9 cM 1 segment		Distant 9.0 cM 1 segment	Distant 12.9 cM 1 segment		
		GEORGE	5 gen	Robert Rone	SELF	Distant 11.3 cM 2 segments	4C 37 cM 3 segments	4C 42 cM 5 segments	4C 66 cM 4 segments	4C 29.4 cM 2 segments	Distant 17.8 cM 2 segments	4C 29.5 cM 2 segments	4C 21.1 cM 2 segments	Distant 19.1 cM 2 segments	
		LOUANNA	6 gen	Robert Fowler	4C 56 cM 4 segments	2C 203 cM 11 segments	4C 25.4 cM 1 segment	Distant 9.6 cM 1 segment	4C 50 cM 3 segments		4C 20.5 cM 2 segments		Distant 8.8 cM 1 segment		
		MARTHA ANN	6 gen	M.B.	4C 42 cM 3 segments	4C 23.7 cM 3 segments					Distant 20.7 cM 2 segments	4C 34.7 cM 2 segments		Distant 9.1 cM 1 segment	
	REBECCA H (RONE) WOODARD	MARGARET	6 gen	Deborah Koch		4C 70 cM 6 segments	Distant 11.4 cM 2 segments	Distant 12 cM 2 segments	Distant 14.5 cM 1 segment			4C 30 cM 2 segments	4C 26 cM 2 segments		
			6 gen	llwma45	Distant 9 cM 2 segments					4C 44 cM 3 segments	4C 43.4 cM 5 segments	Distant 7.2 cM 1 segment	Distant 7.2 cM 1 segment		

						SAMUEL RONE, SENIOR									
						MATHEW L. RONE					SAMUEL RONE, JUNIOR		MOBLEY H. RHONE		
						GEORGE	LOUANNA	WILLIAM H. H.			LANDON		GEORGE W.	CAROLINE	
		Total # of Generations from Samuel Rone, Sr to AncestryDNA Owner		AncestryDNA OWNER		5 gen	6 gen	7 gen	7 gen	8 gen	6 gen	7 gen	6 gen	7 gen	9 gen
						Robert Rone	Lonnie Vice	Steve Malone	Karen Walker	Tom Longfellow	Lourinda Smith	Charles Bennett	Richard Rhone	Ruthanne Mashchenko	Keary Vaughn
SAMUEL RONE, SENIOR	SAMUEL RONE, JUNIOR	JOHN L.	5 gen	Michael Rone	4C 39 cM 3 segments	4C 50 cM 3 segments			Distant 11.6 cM 1 segment	Distant 13.9 cM 2 segments	4C 47 cM 4 segments	Distant 7.6 cM 1 segment	Distant 10.2 cM 1 segment	4C 34 cM 2 segments	
			7 gen	Dot Barnes					Distant 11.4 cM 1 segment		4C 29.3 cM 2 segments	Distant 6.6 cM 1 segment			
			6 gen	pclay66	4C 33 cM 2 segments	4C 51 cM 3 segments				4C 51 cM 5 segments	4C 34 cM 4 segments			Distant 7.8 cM 1 segment	
			6 gen	patlarsen77			Distant 13.8 cM 1 segment	Distant 7.3 cM 1 segment		4C 69 cM 5 segments	4C 23.2 cM 2 segments			4C 37 cM 1 segment	
		JOSEPH R.	7 gen	Glenn Montgomery	4C 74 cM 3 segments					Distant 13.0 cM 2 segments	4C 51 cM 5 segments	4C 31 cM 2 segments	Distant 11.9 cM 1 segment		
			6 gen	B.N.	4C 23.5 cM 2 segments					3C 116 cM 7 segments	2C 289 cM 13 segments	Distant 11.6 cM 1 segment	Distant 15.1 cM 1 segment		
		LANDON	7 gen	S.P.	Distant 7.5 cM 1 segment					Distant 7.7 cM 2 segments	3C 148 cM 8 segments	Distant 12.0 cM 1 segment	Distant 15.5 cM 1 segment		
			7 gen	Charles Bennett	Distant 17.8 cM 2 segments	Distant 19.2 cM 2 segments				2C 219 cM 12 segments	SELF	4C 38 cM 3 segments	Distant 12.0 cM 1 segment		
			6 gen	Lourinda Smith	4C 29.4 cM 2 segments					SELF	2C 219 cM 12 segments			Distant 7.8 cM 1 segment	
			6 gen	Marilyn Wilson	Distant 17.8 cM 1 segment	Distant 18.8 cM 1 segment		Distant 7.8 cM 1 segment		3C 177 cM 10 segments	2C 233.4 cM 13 segments		Distant 11.5 cM 1 segment	Distant 18.8 cM 1 segment	

					SAMUEL RONE, SENIOR									
					MATHEW L. RONE					SAMUEL RONE, JUNIOR		MOBLEY H. RHONE		
					GEORGE	LOUANNA	WILLIAM H. H.			LANDON		GEORGE W.	CAROLINE	
		Total # of Generations from Samuel Rone, Sr to AncestryDNA Owner			5 gen	6 gen	7 gen	7 gen	8 gen	6 gen	7 gen	6 gen	7 gen	9 gen
			AncestryDNA OWNER		Robert Rone	Lonnie Vice	Steve Malone	Karen Walker	Tom Longfellow	Lourinda Smith	Charles Bennett	Richard Rhone	Ruthanne Mashchenko	Keary Vaughn
SAMUEL RONE, SENIOR	MOBLEY H. RHONE	CAROLINE	9 gen	Keary Vaughn	Distant 19.1 cM 2 segments					Distant 7.8 cM 1 segment		Distant 12.8 cM 1 segment	Distant 13.7 cM 1 segment	SELF
			7 gen	gkw1018	Distant 14.6 cM 1 segment	Distant 7.0 cM 2 segments		Distant 9.6 cM 1 segment		Distant 10 cM 1 segment	Distant 15.9 cM 2 segments	Distant 14.7 cM 1 segment		Distant 16 cM 2 segments
			7 gen	Myrlene Dawkins	4C 28.6 cM 3 segments					4C 25.4 cM 1 segment	4C 28.9 cM 3 segments	4C 29.2 cM 3 segments		4C 27.2 cM 2 segments
			6 gen	Beth Sorenson	Distant 18.6 cM 2 segments	4C 27.9 cM 2 segments	Distant 11.1 cM 1 segment		4C 26.3 cM 2 segments	Distant 54.3 cM 5 segments	Distant 14.5 cM 2 segments	4C 29.2 cM 3 segments	Distant 6.2 cM 1 segment	4C 40 cM 3 segments
			7 gen	C.C.	Distant 6.5 cM 1 segment					Distant 9.7 cM 1 segment				Distant 12.6 1 segment
		GEORGE W.	7 gen	Ruthanne Mashchenko	4C 22.1 cM 2 segments						Distant 12.0 cM 1 segment	Parent/Child 3471 cM 63 segments	SELF	Distant 13.7 cM 1 segment
			6 gen	Richard Rhone	4C 29.5 cM 2 segments						4C 38 cM 3 segments	SELF		Distant 12.8 cM 1 segment
			6 gen	R.R. (Private)		4C 26.6 cM 1 segment					4C 26.0 cM 2 segments	1C 980 cM 36 segments		4C 33 cM 1 segment
			7 gen	J Dennis Smart	Distant 9.8 cM 2 segments	Distant 7.2 cM 1 segment		Distant 6.2 cM 1 segment		Distant 14.7 cM 1 segment		Distant 19.9 cM 1 segment		

					SAMUEL RONE, SENIOR									
					MATHEW L. RONE					SAMUEL RONE, JUNIOR		MOBLEY H. RHONE		
					GEORGE	LOUANNA	WILLIAM H. H.			LANDON		GEORGE W.	CAROLINE	
		Total # of Generations from Clement Rone to AncestryDNA Owner	AncestryDNA OWNER		5 gen	6 gen	7 gen	7 gen	8 gen	6 gen	7 gen	6 gen	7 gen	9 gen
					Robert Rone	Lonnie Vice	Steve Malone	Karen Walker	Tom Longfellow	Lourinda Smith	Charles Bennett	Richard Rhone	Ruthanne Mashchenko	Keary Vaughn
CLEMENT RONE	SOLOMON RONE	SAMUEL H. A.	7 gen	James Bowles		4C 20.3 cM 2 segments	Distant 13.4 cM 1 segment				Distant 12.6 cM 1 segment			
			7 gen	A.J.		Distant 13.0 cM 1 segment								
			7 gen	Lbeam75		Distant 8.4 cM 1 segment								
			9 gen	Leslie Shockley		Distant 7.5 cM 1 segment			Distant 7.8 cM 1 segment					
		MARY J.	8 gen	Kimberly Peters								Distant 11.9 cM 1 segment	Distant 13.5 cM 1 segment	
	JOHN RONE	HARVEY N.	6 gen	mom43ts		4C 21.8 cM 2 segments	Distant 10.5 cM 1 segment	Distant 12.1 cM 1 segment	4C 27.9 cM 1 segment					
			7 gen	D.R.		Distant 16.0 cM 2 segments			Distant 19.9 cM 1 segment					
			6 gen	cnsmithjr_86		Distant 17.7 cM 1 segment	Distant 11.5 cM 1 segment		Distant 19.9 cM 2 segment					
		ALEXANDER F. M.	7 gen	GermanOkie	Distant 8.9 cM 1 segment									

					SAMUEL RONE, SENIOR									
					MATHEW L. RONE					SAMUEL RONE, JUNIOR		MOBLEY H. RHONE		
					GEORGE	LOUANNA	WILLIAM H. H.			LANDON		GEORGE W.	CAROLINE	
		Total # of Generations from Clement Rone to AncestryDNA Owner	AncestryDNA OWNER		5 gen	6 gen	7 gen	7 gen	8 gen	6 gen	7 gen	6 gen	7 gen	9 gen
				Robert Rone	Lonnie Vice	Steve Malone	Karen Walker	Tom Longfellow	Lourinda Smith	Charles Bennett	Richard Rhone	Ruthanne Mashchenko	Keary Vaughn	
CLEMENT RONE	WILLIAM RONE	ROBERT J.	10 gen	Benjamin Holmes								Distant 11.7 cM 1 segment	Distant 13.1 cM 1 segment	Distant 6.1 cM 1 segment
		ISAAC NEWTON	9 gen	Sarah Fuhriman								Distant 11.2 cM 1 segment		
			9 gen	K.T.	Distant 7.7 cM 1 segment									
			9 gen	Miranda Dascanio								Distant 11.3 cM 1 segment		
			8 gen	Jeff Dascanio								Distant 8.6 cM 1 segment		
			9 gen	Roshell Maynor		Distant 7.4 cM 1 segment								

						SAMUEL RONE, SENIOR									
						MATHEW L. RONE					SAMUEL RONE, JUNIOR		MOBLEY H. RHONE		
						GEORGE	LOUANNA	WILLIAM H. H.			LONDON		GEORGE W.	CAROLINE	
		Total # of Generations from Clement Rone to AncestryDNA Owner		AncestryDNA OWNER		5 gen	6 gen	7 gen	7 gen	8 gen	6 gen	7 gen	6 gen	7 gen	9 gen
						Robert Rone	Lonnie Vice	Steve Malone	Karen Walker	Tom Longfellow	Lourinda Smith	Charles Bennett	Richard Rhone	Ruthanne Mashchenko	Keary Vaughn
CLEMENT RONE	WILLIAM RONE	NANCY A.	7 gen	gramdarlene11		Distant 18.8 cM 2 segments									Distant 6.4 cM 1 segment
			8 gen	Karen Millsap		Distant 16.3 cM 1 segment						Distant 8.6 cM 1 segment			
			8 gen	Jake Millsap		Distant 15.4 cM 1 segment						Distant 8.5 cM 1 segment			
			7 gen	jolarob								Distant 7.8 cM 1 segment			
			8 gen	jlrolen10								Distant 7.8 cM 1 segment			
			7 gen	Lindsay_Deloris								Distant 7.7 cM 1 segment			
			8 gen	Tish Villanueva			Distant 6.7 cM 1 segment								
			8 gen	kenderella92109	Distant 11.1 cM 1 segment										

Rebeccah (Rone) Woodard

As mentioned in the previous section, the Lincoln County, Tennessee record of Rebeccah's 13 Jan 1840 marriage to James Woodard (also spelled Woodward) is what put her on my radar as a Rone descendant of some sort. But it was surprising that DNA matches strongly suggested that she was the daughter of Samuel Rone, and not the granddaughter of Clement Rone (she was too young to have been Clement's daughter, based upon age and gender attributes of people in his Census households).

Specifically, the DNA results for Ancestry.com member Barbara Koch matched to the following samples in our Rone DNA pool (Barbara is 6 generations removed from Samuel Rone, Senior):

- Lonnie Vice, Mathew's line, 6 generations removed from Samuel, 70 cM of shared DNA.
- Richard Rhone, Mobley's line, 6 generations removed from Samuel, 30 cM of shared DNA.
- Ruthanne Mashchenko, Mobley's line, 7 generations removed from Samuel, 26 cM of shared DNA.
- Tom Longfellow - Mathew's line, 8 generations removed from Samuel, 14.5 cM of shared DNA.
- Karen Walker - Mathew's line, 7 generations removed from Samuel, 12 cM of shared DNA.
- Steve Malone - Mathew's line, 7 generations removed from Samuel, 11.4 cM of shared DNA.

That meant that this one kit matched on 6 of 10 of the samples from descendants of Samuel Rone, and had between 11.4 cM and 70 cM of shared DNA with these individuals. While there were no matches to the two descendants of Samuel Rone, Junior, such a result is consistent with typical matching patterns for the other descendant lines of Samuel Rone, Senior's children. In contrast, only a small percentage of descendants of Clement Rone matched more than one descendant of Samuel Rone, Senior in the Rone DNA Pool, and typically with much shorter lengths of shared DNA.

But there were also results for a second descendant of Rebeccah's, who is identified on Ancestry.com as llwma45 (also six generations removed from Samuel Rone, Senior). And those results matched to three of the four non-matches for Barbara Koch. In total, the two sets of results together matched to a total of nine out of ten samples. The length of DNA for those matches ranged from 7.2 to 44 centimorgans.

In comparison, in the results for Clement's descendants, there are only ten out of twenty-three kits that match to two or more of the ten samples. Of these kits, six matched a total of two sample kits, three matched a total of three sample kits, and only one matched to four of the sample kits (this person was only six generations removed from Clement, having from 10.5 to 27.9 cM of shared DNA). Of the ten kits, nine were from 6 to 9 generations removed from Clement Rone. One kit was ten generations removed and had three matches to the samples for Mobley Rhone's descendants. Therefore, it is almost certainly an outlier, and likely is expressing relatedness to a shared non-Rhone relative. The DNA lengths for the next closest match ranged from 6.1 cM to 12.6 cM. Those ranges are about half of what showed up in the matches to Barbara Koch and llwma45. Since an extra generation is required to get to Samuel's & Clement's parents (William Rone, Sr and his unknown wife), and since with each generation you inherit only half of your DNA from each parent, these results suggest that Barbara Koch and llwma45 are more closely related to Samuel Rone, Senior than to Clement Rone, by at least a generation. Unless that is a very exceptionally unusual result, that can only mean that Rebeccah Rone was Samuel Rone's daughter

(she was born 6 years after William Rone, Junior had died, so he could not be her father). The results for other known descendants of Clement Rone don't even remotely compare to their results in terms of the number and closeness of matches to descendants of Samuel Rone.

With that proof out of the way, the following is what little is known about Rebecca's family. It is a woefully incomplete picture, since her 1850 Census record has not been found. It is definitely possible that she had at least one additional daughter, who could have married prior to the 1860 Census. Any possible sons would appear to have not lived to adulthood.

In the 1860 Census for District 16 of Lincoln County, Tennessee is the household of Rebecca and James Woodard. Their children were Caroline, age 20; Margaret, age 18*; Martha, age 8; Alice, age 6; Thomas, age 3 months. [* The ancestor of both Barbara Koch and llwma45.]

It appears that Rebecca died not long after the 1860 Census, as Jas Woodard is found in the 1870 Census for District 17 of Lincoln County with two of his daughters: Martha, age 18 and Allace, age 12.

James may have remarried on 14 Oct 1870 in Lincoln County, Tennessee to the widow Mary (Paysinger) Magers Smith. She had a son, William D. Woodard who was born in Jackson County, Mississippi in late 1870.

Currently, of the known children, a marriage record is only found for Margaret, who married Archibald Keith Henson on 7 Jan 1866 in Lincoln County, Tennessee.

Rebecca's Children and Grandchildren

The following are the known children of **Rebecca Rone** and her husband **James S. Woodard**, as found in their 1860 and 1870 Census households.

1. **Caroline Woodard**, born about 1840.
2. **Margaret E. Woodard**, born 4 Jun 1844, died 13 Sep 1909. She married **Archibald Keith Henson** on 7 Jan 1866 in Lincoln County, Tennessee. They had twelve children together, though only nine were living at the time of the 1900 Census:
 - a. **Emma G. Henson**, born Sep 1865, died 28 Mar 1936. She married **James Monroe Cupp**, and they had five children together.
 - b. **Joseph Stanford Henson**, born 19 Nov 1867, 22 Mar 1954. He apparently never married.
 - c. **Rosa Lee Henson**, born about 1869.
 - d. **Sarah Johnnie Henson**, born 24 Dec 1871, died 16 Mar 1953. She married **John Edwin Arnold** on 20 Feb 1899 in Arkansas. They had six children together.
 - e. **Henry M. Henson**, born Dec 1873, died 1945. He married **Mary E. Adams** on 21 Dec 1902 in Arkansas. They had six children together.
 - f. **Joshua Taylor Henson**, born 14 Apr 1876, died 21 Oct 1930. He married **Lizzie MNU** and they had one son together.
 - g. **Estella Henson**, born about 1881.
 - h. **Minnie Henson**, born about 1884.
 - i. **Alice Henson**, born 29 Jun 1887, died 2 Nov 1970. She married **Thomas Seten Cook**, and they had three children together.
3. **Martha Woodard**, born about 1852.²¹
4. **Alice Woodard**, born about 1858. She is found in her father's 1870 Census household, but no marriage record was found for her.
5. **Thomas Woodard**, born about 1860. He is not found in his father's 1870 Census household.

²¹ *There were Martha Woodards who married in Lincoln County, Tennessee in 1872 to William Warin Wise and in 1873 to Martin Scott Dunn. It appears likely that neither of these marriages was to Rebecca's daughter.*

Samuel Rone, Junior

Samuel Rone, Junior married Susannah H. Anderson in Bedford County, Tennessee in 1837, which was just two years after Mathew L. Rone had moved with his new bride to Ray County, Missouri. And it was likely around the same time that Samuel Rone, Senior moved from Bedford County to abutting Lincoln County.

He was born about 1813 in North Carolina, and thus he is a possible match for one of the three males under age ten in Samuel Rone, Senior's 1820 Census household in Mecklenburg County, North Carolina, and one of the two males age 15-19 in his 1830 household in Bedford County, Tennessee.

In the 1840 Census for Bedford County, Tennessee, Samuel's household includes a wife and a daughter under age 5, which is consistent with an 1837 marriage.

In 1848, Samuel S. Rone bought property in Bedford County from Samuel Anderson.

In the 1850 Census for Bedford County, Samuel's household includes his wife Susan, born 1813 in North Carolina. Their children included: Vienna born 1838 (who is a match to the daughter in their 1840 household), Margaret born 1840, Katherine, born 1842, Samuel born 1845, James born 1847, Joseph born 1848 and John, born 1850.

One of the last records of Samuel Rone in Bedford County was when he sold 79+ acres of land to Anderson Rucker on 5 Feb 1859.

In 1860, a case was heard before the Tennessee Supreme Court, with John S. Thompson, G. P. Baskette and Samuel Roane as plaintiffs vs. F. F. Fonville. Samuel's involvement was due to his being one of the securities for a loan that occurred in Bedford County, Tennessee.

In the 1860 Census for Tishomingo County, Mississippi, Samuel Rone's household (#355) includes his wife and all of his children found in the 1850 Census, less Vienna, and with the addition of Landon C. Rone, born 1853. His abutting neighbor there was John S. Thompson (household #356). Living in household #371 was Mary (Nix) Blagg, the widow of Henry Blagg (who was either the brother or a cousin of Mathew Rone's mother-in-law, Sarah [Blagg] Fowler).

In the 1870 Census for Prentiss County, Mississippi, Henry Blagg's eldest daughter, Harriett J. (Blagg) Murphy, was living in household #293. Living in household #294 was Samuel Rone, Junior's daughter Margaret and her husband Aaron Spain, and in household #295 was his son Joseph R. Rone, living in the household of Henry W. Spain (Aaron's brother).

Samuel Rone would have been 48 years old when the Civil War broke out, so it is unlikely that he enlisted in the Confederate Army.²²

²² His son, Samuel Richard Rone, did serve as a private in Company B of Hams' Mississippi Cavalry for three years, and was taken prisoner. He enlisted at Booneville, Prentiss County, Mississippi on 5 Jul 1863. Many of the troops in Ham's company were captured at the Battle of Selma, Alabama in April 1865.

On 11 Feb 1863, the Probate Court of Tishomingo County, Mississippi ordered that a year's supplies from the property of Samuel Rone be laid out for the use of his widow and minor children. Thus, he likely died shortly before that date.

In the 1870 Census, Susan was living with her two youngest sons and her eldest daughter, who appears to have been widowed.

Samuel Junior's Children and Grandchildren

1. **Vienna Rone**, born about 1838, died 1880. She married first **Andrew R. Green** around 1860, and apparently had no children. She married second **Alexander Spain** on 12 Dec 1876. Their children were:
 - a. **Alonzo F. Spain**, born 17 Aug 1878, died 1837. He married **Maude C. MNU**. They had one son together.
 - b. **Oscar Spain**, born 24 Dec 1880, died 1913. He married **Jessie A. Nicholson**. They had four children together.
2. **Margaret A. Rone**, born 18 Apr 1842, died 15 Jan 1900. She married **Aaron Spain** on 30 Aug 1860 in Alcorn County, Mississippi. They had several children together:
 - a. **James William Spain**, born 5 Nov 1861, died 26 Apr 1916. He married **Mattie A. Elder** on 9 Dec 1879 in Prentiss County, Mississippi, and they had two children together.
 - a. **Catherine A. "Caddie" Spain**, born May 1863. She married first **Mr. Johnson** and married second **Patrick Henry Perkins** on 9 Jul 1889 in Prentiss County, Mississippi. She had two sons by the first marriage.
 - b. **John Samuel Spain**, born 26 May 1866, died 12 Nov 1909. He married first **Ava Viola Price** on 20 Aug 1890, and married second, **Lucy Farmer** on 26 Nov 1895. Both marriages took place in Prentiss County, Mississippi. He had three daughters by the first marriage, and five daughters and one son by the second marriage.
 - c. **Joseph Spain**, born about 1868.
 - d. **Susan Eudora Spain**, born 16 Aug 1877, died 28 May 1953. She married **James Henry Powell**, and they had two daughters together.
 - e. **Lydia Eugenia Spain**, born 16 Aug 1877, died 3 Aug 1968. She married **Gordon Taylor Smith** on 10 May 1899 in Prentiss County, Mississippi. They had two sons and two daughters together.
3. **L. Catherine Rone**, born about 1842. She married **W. H. Lacy** on 1 Apr 1867 in Bedford County, Tennessee. They had one daughter together:
 - a. **Susan Elizabeth Lacy**, born about 1868.
4. **Samuel Richard Rone**, born about 1845, died 17 Jun 1910. He married **Nancy Carolyn Liles** on 2 Jan 1872 in Prentiss County, Mississippi. They had a large family:
 - a. **Minnie E. Rone**, born 15 Jan 1874, died 25 Apr 1891.
 - b. **Jessie S. Rone**, born 14 Aug 1875, died 20 Mar 1936. She married **John H. Gibson** and they had three children together.
 - c. **Margaret C. "Maggie" Rone**, born 7 Jan 1877, died 25 Jul 1939. She married **Francis M. Leach** on 22 Mar 1900 in Grayson County, Texas. They had three sons together.
 - d. **Mary Victoria Rone**, born Aug 1878, died 9 Sep 1928. She married **Robert John Harkness** on 19 Jun 1902 in Grayson County, Texas. They had six children together.

- e. **Charles L. Rone**, born 19 Mar 1880, died 14 Sep 1902.
 - f. **Joseph Aaron “Jody” Rone**, born 25 Nov 1881, died 16 Dec 1961. He married **Lillian Louella “Lula” Gardner** in 1905. They had five children together.
 - g. **William Samuel Rone**, born 9 Oct 1887, died 7 Aug 1944. He married first **Fannie MNU**, and married second **Ethel MNU**. They had no children together.
 - h. **Edgar Francis Rone**, born 4 Jun 1890, died 1 Nov 1954. He married the widow **Frances Delores (Huff) Smith**, and they had one son together.
 - i. **Eula Mae Rone**, born 4 Dec 1892, died 21 Dec 1972. She married **Ira Olney Pace** on 18 Dec 1910 in Grayson County, Texas. They had five children together.
5. **James Henry Roane**, born 1 Jan 1847, died 6 Aug 1932. He married **Mary Frances Ramsey**, and they had eight children:
- a. **Katherine B. “Katie” Roane**, born Sep 1871, died 1943. She married **Charles Hiram Lovelady** on 6 Jan 1899 in Cooke County, Texas. They had two daughters together.
 - b. **Susan Roane**, born about 1874.
 - c. **John Edward Roane**, born 9 Sep 1876, died 6 Jun 1937. He married **Goda Margaret Gates**. They had two children.
 - d. **Thomas Asbury Roane**, born 27 Aug 1880, died 13 Aug 1947. He married **Lillie R. Leach** on 11 Jan 1906 in Cooke County, Texas. They had eight sons.
 - e. **Almeda Gertrude Roane**, born 20 Feb 1884, died 20 Feb 1920. She married **Harvey H. McGee** in 1910 in Wise County, Texas. They had four children together.
 - f. **Cora Belle Roane**, born 16 Nov 1885, died 15 Dec 1969. She married **James Sterling Grimes** in 1910 in Montague County, Texas. They had eight children together.
 - g. **Francis Landon Roane**, born 16 Jan 1889, died 1 Aug 1973. He married first **Sarah Virginia “Jennie” Boykin** on 26 Jul 1914 in Cooke County, Texas. He married second **Henrietta Chapman** on 18 May 1934 in Nolan County, Texas. He had three children by the first wife.
 - h. **Lois Roane**, born 17 Mar 1894, died Aug 1984. She married **Lester C. Russell** on 24 Dec 1913 in Montague County, Texas. They had three children.
6. **Joseph R. Rone**, born about 1848. He married **Martha Elizabeth Earnest** and they had several children together:
- a. **James T. Rone**, born Mar 1876, died 1 Apr 1912. He married **Tokosan Flynt**, and they had two daughters together.
 - b. **William Samuel Rone**, born 12 Apr 1876, died 9 Jan 1939. He married **Mary Hibernia Price** on 2 Apr 1905 in Nolan County, Texas. They had two children together.
 - c. **Clara Ann Rone**, born 16 Dec 1877, died 15 Jul 1968. She married **William Thomas Montgomery**, and they had nine children together.
 - d. **Percival (?) Rone**, born about 1879.
 - e. **Joseph Randolph Rone**, born 27 Mar 1882, died 28 May 1963. He had one son, by an unidentified mother. He later married **Stella Suggs**.
- [NOTE: At least one tree at Ancestry.com states the following members of Joseph R. Rone’s 1900 Census household were actually fathered by Robert G. Lucas, but raised as Rones]*
- f. **Louis Earnest Rone**, born Sep 1887.
 - g. **Elmer Grady Rone**, born 1 Jul 1890, died 27 May 1973. He married **Mittie Lenora Hopper**, and they had several children together.
7. **John David Rone**, born 6 Aug 1850, died 23 Mar 1892. He married **Eliza Porter**, and they had several children:

- a. **Jennie Rone**, born about 1875.
- b. **John Landon Rone**, born 5 Aug 1877, died 16 Mar 1959. He married **Sudie Whitehead** in 1903 in Hopkins County, Texas. They had seven children together.
- c. **Mary Anna Rone**, born about 1879. She married **Isaac David Smith** in 1895 in Wise County, Texas. They had seven children together.
- d. **Henry Rone**, born Mar 1883.
- e. **Charles Yater Rone**, born 17 May 1884, died 8 Dec 1958. He married **Stella Lugene Thompson** on 24 Jan 1904 in Wise County, Texas. They had four children together.
- f. **William Marvin Rone**, born 2 Feb 1887, died 21 Sep 1923. He married **Lizzie Alice Foster** on 4 Dec 1904 in Wise County, Texas. They had one daughter together.
- g. **Coy Cebron Rone**, born 18 Mar 1889, died 11 Aug 1902.
- 8. **Landon Cabot Rone**, born 5 May 1852, died 7 Aug 1929. He married **Mary Alice Fulgham**. They had eight children together.
 - a. **Bertha Ann Rone**, born 20 Feb 1880, died 23 Sep 1949. She married **John Henry Taylor** on 22 Mar 1899 in Prentiss County, Mississippi. They had twelve children together.
 - b. **Mattie Lenore Rone**, born 28 Jan 1882, died Aug 1968. She married **Hugh Camillus Counce** on 16 Oct 1899 in Alcorn County, Mississippi. They had five children together.
 - c. **William Samuel Rone**, born 27 Mar 1884, died 5 Feb 1973. He married **Lourinda Barnes**, and they had seven children together.
 - d. **Glennie Sue Rone**, born 22 Feb 1886, died 6 Aug 1974. She married **Trojan C. Farmer** and they had six children together.
 - e. **Clifford Aleta Rone**, born 2 Sep 1889, died May 1977. She married **Mike Sartin** on 7 Mar 1906 in McNairy County, Tennessee, and they had at least five children. She married second **Alexander H. Hatfield** on 23 Jul 1920 in Prentiss County, Arkansas. They had a son and a daughter. She married at least six times after that marriage, though it appears there were no children by the other marriages.
 - f. **Baxter Aaron Rone**, born 2 Jan 1892, died 1927. He married **Etta M. Green**, and they had six children together.
 - g. **Lillie Katherine Rone**, born 2 Sep 1894, died 8 Oct 1956. She married **Jesse Buchanan Free**, and they had five children.
 - h. **Ora Betty May Rone**, born 18 Mar 1897, died 10 Oct 1918. She married **Benton Washington Cox**. It is not known if they had any children.

Summary of Findings

Starting with only the knowledge that Mathew L. Rone and Mobley H. Rhone were brothers, it has been possible to clearly trace our clan back in time, first to Mecklenburg County, North Carolina in the early 1800s and then even farther back, to Wake County, North Carolina in the 1760s.

It has been shown that records of Mecklenburg County reveal that Samuel Rone, Senior (the father of Mathew and Mobley) had arrived there around 1806; that he had brothers Clement and William; and that their father was William Rone, Senior, who died there in 1807.

A deposition made by Samuel Rone, Senior states that he had lived in Wake County, North Carolina around 1795. Records of Wake County show that William Rone, Senior had arrived there by 1794, and it was where Samuel Rone had married Middy Lowrey in 1799. It has been deduced that her father was Matthew Lowrey and that her mother was Mary Mobley, the daughter of Mordecai and Elizabeth (Read) Mobley.

Mathew Rone's 1880 Census record states that both his parents were natives of Scotland. No record was found of when William Rone, Senior had emigrated to the United States, but there is a record of a William Roan arriving in Virginia in 1787. So, while there is a reasonable possibility that he was our ancestor, the Rone trail is unclear prior to William's arrival in Wake County, North Carolina.

In the 1820s, Clement Rone, Samuel Rone and their families left North Carolina and moved west (except for Mobley Rhone, who remained there), eventually showing up in Tennessee. Clement's sons are found in records of Lincoln County, Tennessee as early as 1830, though he doesn't show up in records there until 1840. Samuel Rone is found in records of Bedford County, Tennessee as early as 1830, and he, too, had moved to Lincoln County by 1840.

One serendipitous aspect of assembling a large pool of AncestryDNA data for this project was that it quite unexpectedly led to the identity of one of Samuel Rone, Senior's three unknown daughters: Rebecca (Rone) Woodard. Expanding that effort in the future is likely to prove the identity of at least one other daughter, but there is no guarantee of how long such an effort might take.

Significant effort was undertaken to attempt to prove that, contrary to the biography of T.J. Rone, Mathew's and Mobley's other brother was not John, but Samuel Rone, Junior. The AncestryDNA results of several Rone descendants were compared against millions of such results, which identified several dozen other descendants of our Rone clan. The overall pattern of the majority of the matches for those results confirm that the three men were from the same generation of the same family: they were all sons of Samuel Rone, Senior.

With the direct knowledge of the identities of two of Samuel's three sons and the DNA evidence that establishes the identity of his third son, it has been possible to infer the identities of at least some of Clement Rone's children. Due to the speculative nature of that work, it is included as an appendix ([Appendix G](#)), instead of being part of the main narrative of this book.

The identities of all of Mathew Rone's [seventeen children](#) are clearly proven by T.J. Rone's biography, and/or by 1850 and later Census records.

The identities of Mobley Rhone's [five oldest children](#) are inferred from various early records of Houston County, Texas, whereas the identities of his [three youngest children](#) are documented in 1860 and 1870 Census records of Houston County and neighboring Anderson County.

[All of the children](#) of Samuel Rone, Junior are clearly proven by Census records.

The identities of Rebecca (Rone) Woodard's [children](#) are mostly proven by 1860 and 1870 Census records, though the lack of an 1850 Census record for her family leaves open the possibility of other children, including the possibility of at least one child who could have come of age prior to the 1860 Census.

The table on the following page lists all of the known children and grandchildren of Samuel and Middy (Lowrey) Rone:

William Rone, Senior Born before 1744, died 1807 in Mecklenburg County, North Carolina.			
Samuel Rone, Senior Born 1775 in Scotland, died after 1840s, probably in Lincoln County, Tennessee. On 18 Oct 1799 in Wake County, North Carolina, he married			
Middy Lowrey Born about 1781 in Scotland, died unknown.			
Mobley H. Rhone Born 1800 in Wake County, NC, died 1875 in Anderson County, TX. His children:	Samuel Rone, Junior Born about 1813 in Mecklenburg County, NC, died after 1860 in Mississippi. His children:	Mathew L. Rone Born 20 Jun 1814 in Mecklenburg County, NC, died 10 May 1884 in Benton County, AR. His children:	Rebecca (Rone) Woodard Born about 1822 in Tennessee, died after 1860, probably in Lincoln County, TN. Her children:
Harvey Newton Rhone Caroline (Rhone) Merideth Malinda R. (Rhone) Toney James M. Rhone George W. Rhone Sylvanus L. Rhone Sarah D. (Rhone) Lyon William "WT" Rhone	Vienna (Rone) Green Spain L. Catherine (Rone) Lacy Margaret A. (Rone) Spain Samuel Richard Rone James Henry Rone Joseph R. Rone John David Rone Landon Cabot Rone	Samuel Rone Nathaniel Henderson Rone Thomas J. Rone William Henry Harrison Rone Meda Ann (Rone) Belt George Milo Rone Louisa M. Rone Mathew Anderson Rone Sarah D. (Rone) Gaston Willis Warner Rone Louanna Josephine (Rone) Fowler James Nelson Rone Lucy Jane (Rone) Crouse Wiley Holman Rone Martha Ann (Rone) Chastain Wilson Simpson Rone Joseph Rone	Caroline Woodard Margaret E. (Woodard) Henson Martha Woodard Alice Woodard Thomas Woodard

Conclusion: Validation

Validation is defined as the action of checking or proving the validity or accuracy of something. Achieving validation was the endpoint that made it possible to conclude researching our Rone clan and, by doing so, publish this book.

This project began by using facts found in public records to validate the information presented in the biography of T.J. Rone. That effort led to the discovery of additional Rone clues found in those same public records. The task was complicated by the scarcity of public records, which had been caused by a series of courthouse disasters in Bedford County, Tennessee and elsewhere, but sufficient records were eventually found.

Those additional clues led to the discovery that Samuel Rone, Senior had moved from Bedford County to Lincoln County, Tennessee, likely in the late 1830s, and that he had lived in Wake County, North Carolina prior to his time in Mecklenburg County, North Carolina.

So how is it that we know that we are dealing with just one Samuel Rone in all these locations? How do we know that the Samuel Rone of Wake County is the same man in Bedford County and Lincoln County?

First, there are no unresolved overlaps in the timeline of facts related to Samuel Rone. When reference is found of him in one place, he is no longer found at his prior residence: that is true of the four locations where record of his existence has been found. And there are never records of another person of the same or a similar name living in or near the same counties – so it is clear that records of more than one person haven't been attributed to our Samuel Rone, Senior. But the really critical discovery, which eliminates any doubt that these facts were all pointing to the same man, was the DNA evidence that identified his daughter, Rebecca. Her marriage in Lincoln County, Tennessee took place just prior to when Samuel Rone, Senior gave his deposition about his having lived in Wake County, North Carolina forty five years earlier. And her relatedness through DNA to Mathew Rone and Mobley Rhone connects Samuel Rone, Senior back to Bedford County, where there is additional evidence of his presence there, during the same time period when Mathew Rone and Samuel Rone, Junior had resided there.

Clearly, the research contained in this book has been more than adequately validated: the facts herein have been carefully corroborated from multiple sources, and every effort has been made to leave no stone unturned in the search for as many clues as possible. The end result is a seamless timeline of events for the major characters of the book (the parents and siblings of Mathew Rone and Mobley Rhone) and a web of interconnecting facts that weave together several descendant families into a seamless tapestry of our Rone clan in America.

Appendices

The following sections include a series of timelines of public records for several jurisdictions that were researched in arriving at the preceding narrative. They contain far more detail than was required to tell this story. They are preserved here to assist other researchers who might be interested in researching either their own particular family line, or other families with whom our Rone clan had intermarried.

Also included are timelines about individuals who turned out not to be related to our clan. Hopefully such information will aid the future efforts of descendants of theirs.

Appendix A:

Early Texas Rhone Timeline

A collection of facts about two men:

Mobley Rhone of Houston and Anderson Counties, Texas; and

John Rhone of Smith County, Texas. John was thought possibly to be the John Rone mentioned in T.J. Rone's bio, but that turned out to not be the case.

Geographic Notes:

Crockett is the county seat of Houston County, Texas. It is located on one of the branches of El Camino Real, a royal road created centuries ago by Spain to connect its missions and presidios in the New World.

The likely route of immigration for early settlers from the United States to Texas was to travel to Louisiana, then take the Red River from where it intersects with the Mississippi River (just south of Natchez, Mississippi). From there, they would go upstream to Natchitoches, Louisiana, the eastern terminus of El Camino Real. The most northerly branch of the Camino passed through Austin and San Antonio, and then on to Mexico.

A Few Basic Facts

1821	Mexico gained independence from Spain.
1823	Mexico allowed foreign immigration to Texas.
1835	The beginning of the Texas Revolution.
1836	The Republic of Texas was created.
1837 Jun 12	Houston County, TX was formed.
1845	Texas became the 28th state of the union.
1846 Mar 24	Anderson County, TX was formed.
1846 Apr 11	Smith County, TX was formed.
1846 Jul 13	Cherokee County, TX was formed.
1848	War with Mexico ended.
1850	Mobley Rhone is not found in Census records, though his family is enumerated in Houston County, Texas. John Rhone is not found in Census records, though his family is enumerated in Tuscaloosa County, Alabama.
1865 & 1882	Courthouse fires destroyed most of the records in Houston County, Texas.

Trees on Ancestry.com show John Rhone's parents to be Hugh and Hannah (Calhoun) Rhone. But that factoid is disproven by an Find A Grave memorial to Hugh Roan. While he had lived in Mecklenburg County, North Carolina, he was clearly not related to our Rhones/Rones, nor to the Rones of southern Mecklenburg County.

What follows are two timelines: one for Mobley Rhone, and the other for John Rhone.

NOTE: The conclusion reached in this research was that John Rhone (thought possibly to have been the missing brother of Mathew and Mobley) most likely was related to the Henry Rones of southern Mecklenburg County, North Carolina, and WAS NOT RELATED to the family of Mobley Rhone and Mathew Rone.

Mobley Rhone Timeline

- 1820 May 20 **Mobley Rhone** married **Mary Prater** in Mecklenburg.
- 1830 Census **Mobley Roan** was enumerated in Lincoln County, NC.
- 1837 Aug 5 **Mobley Rhone** patented 40.25 acres of land in Talladega County, AL.
- 1837 Dec **Mobley Rhone** immigrated to the Republic of Texas prior to Dec 1837.
- 1838 **Mobley Rhone** received conditional certificate #260 for 640 acres of land in Cherokee County, Texas. *The Texas Reports: Cases Adjudged in the Supreme Court, Volume 30, Stafford v. King, pages 257-277.*
- 1838 **Mobley Rhone** apparently paid only the poll tax in Houston County, TX. This list is in the order that taxes were collected. <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:939F-4633-C?i=12&cc=1827575&cat=986276>, image 13 of 1580, sheet 4, line 15. [Note: this is the first available tax list for Houston County.]
- 1839 **Mobley Roan** was taxed for 640 acres of land in Houston County, TX and no personal property. He paid tax of \$3. The list is in the order that taxes were collected. <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:939F-4633-C?i=12&cc=1827575&cat=986276>, image 28 of 1580, # 129.
- 1839 Jul 4 **Mobley Rhone** was appointed Justice of the Peace in Houston County, TX.
- 1839 Jul 4 **Mobley Rhone** was granted conditional certificate #11 from Cherokee County for 640 acres of third-class land in Houston County. Witnesses were **C. H. Nelson** and **W. Dickerson**. *Texas GLO Records, File 71, Abstract 729.* http://www.glo.texas.gov/ncu/SCANDOCS/archives_webfiles/arcmaps/webfiles/landgrants/PDFs/3/2/0/320220.pdf
- 1839 Nov **Harvey Newton Rhone** immigrated to the Republic of Texas. He was single at the time. [Note: this may actually be when he turned 17 and was thus eligible for 320 acres of third-class land.] *Texas GLO Records, Clerk Returns, File 10d, page 7.*
- 1839 Dec 6 **Mobley Rhone** had 640 acres surveyed per conditional certificate #11. **I G Dickson** and **Wm Cuver** were chain carriers.
- 1840 There was no 1840 Census for Texas, was still an independent republic at that time.
- 1840 **Mobley Rhone** paid only the Houston County poll tax of \$1. This list is grouped in order of the first letter of the surnames. <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:939F-4634-7?i=59&cc=1827575&cat=986276>, image 60 of 1589, line 1.
- 1840 Jan 1 The Heirs of **Harvey Newton Rhone** were granted certificate #245 in Bexar County, TX for 320 acres of 3rd class land. Witnesses were **C. H. Nelson**, **W. Dickerson** and **E. T. Powell**. This would suggest that, if Harvey had any child heirs, at most there would be one or two, since he was single just a couple of years earlier.
- 1840 Jul 1 **Mobley Rhone** testified that the conditional certificate #245 of **Harvey Newton Rhone** for 320 acres in Pecan County, Bexar District had been lost.

- 1841 **Mobley Rhone** appears on the tax rolls of Houston County, but appears to have not paid any taxes. This list is grouped by the first letter of the surnames. <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:939F-4634-7?i=59&cc=1827575&cat=986276>, image 85 of 1580, line 17.
- 1842 **Mobley Rhone** did not appear on the tax rolls of Houston County, TX. The list is grouped by the first letter of the surnames.
- 1843 **Mobley Rhone** paid the poll tax of \$1 in Houston County, TX. The list is grouped by the first letter of the surnames. <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:939F-4634-7?i=59&cc=1827575&cat=986276>, 129 of 1580, line 18.
- 1844 **Mobly Rhone** paid only the poll tax in Houston County, TX. The tax list is ordered by the first letter of the surname. The list is grouped by the first letter of the surnames. <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:939F-4634-7?i=59&cc=1827575&cat=986276>, image 165 of 1580, line 25.
- G. W. Merideth** paid only the poll tax in Houston County, TX. Same source, image 162 of 1580, line 18.
- 1844 Dec 6 Witnesses to **Mobley Rhone's** unconditional certificate #223 for 640 acres of third-class land were **C. H. Nelson** and **Waller Dickerson**.
- 1844 Dec 7 **Mobley Rhone**, heir at law of **Harvey Newton Rhone**, decd, assigned unconditional certificate #245 to **Richard B. Tutt** for \$100. Witnessed by **George** and **William Lester**.
http://www.glo.texas.gov/ncu/SCANDOCS/archives_webfiles/arcmaps/webfiles/land_grants/PDFs/1/5/0/150399.pdf
- 1845 The approximate year that **Green W. Merideth** married **Caroline**, who was presumably the daughter of **Mobley Rhone**.
- 1845 Jan 13 **Mobley Rhone** and **N. D. Acock** were witnesses to unconditional certificate #229 of **John C. Oliver** (whose widow Mobley later married) based upon his conditional certificate #209 for 640 acres of third-class land in Houston County, TX.
- 1845 Jul 31 **Mobley Rhone** received the patent to his 640-acre grant in Cherokee County, Texas. <https://texashistory.unt.edu/ark:/67531/metaph88417/m1/1/zoom/?resolution=1&lat=5798.641213965251&lon=4529.849751786982>
- 1846 Aug 6 Heirs of **Harvey Newton Rhone**, Bexar District, surveyed 320 acres of 3rd class land, based upon Certificate #224. This property was located in the southern half of present-day Llano County. It was initially in Bexar County, but became part of Gillespie County in 1850 and Llano County in 1859. (This date is when the survey and field notes were recorded in Book A, page 568).
- 1846 **Mobley Rhone** was recorded in the Census for Cherokee County, TX.
- 1846 **Mobley Rhone**, through his agent **John C. Morrison**, was taxed for 320 of 640 acres in Cherokee County, TX, paying 64 cents tax for his property. He did not pay the poll tax. <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:939F-WZB8-L?i=20&cc=1827575>, image 21 of 22.
- 1849 **Mobley Rhone** was taxed for 177 acres of land originally granted to Jesse Thompson valued at \$88.50, 100 acres originally granted to E. Clapp valued at \$50, and 640 acres of land originally granted to E Clapp valued at \$60. He also had two horses and 20 head of cattle. His entire taxable worth was \$378. <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:939F->

- [WBNZ?i=333&cc=1827575&cat=986276](#), image 334 of 1580, 5th through 7th lines from the bottom.
- G. W. Merideth** was taxed for one horse and 20 head of cattle in Houston County, TX. Same source, image 332 of 1580, 12th line from the bottom.
- 1850 **Mobley Rhone** married **Sarah P.**, the widow of **Nathaniel Shirley**, location unknown. *The Texas Reports: Cases Adjudged in the Supreme Court, Volume 17*, by O.C. and R.K. Hartley (1881), pages 131 through 133, [Benjamin T. Ellis v. Mobley Rhone, Adm'r.](#)
- 1850 **Mobley Rhone** was taxed for 177 acres of land valued at \$88 that was originally granted to **J. G. Thompson**, and 100 acres of land valued at \$50 that was originally granted to **Elisha Clapp**. In addition to livestock, he also had a land certificate for 640 acres. <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:939F-WBXL?i=352&cc=1827575&cat=986276>, image 353 of 1580, lines 3 and 4.
- Sarah P. Rhone** was taxed for 207 acres of land valued at \$103 that was originally granted to **John Hagan**. In addition to other personal property she had a land certificate. <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:939F-WBXL?i=352&cc=1827575&cat=986276>, image 353 of 1850, line 5.
- 1851 Jul 26 **Mobley Rhone** acknowledged in an affidavit that he had assigned the 320-acre property of the Heirs of **Harvey Newton Rhone** to **Richard B. Tutt**. (Thus, there would be no subsequent deed that might identify who the said heirs were.)
- 1851 Mar 18 **George Rone** and **Price Oliver** were chain carriers for the survey of **Nathaniel Shirley's** 320 acres of 4th class land in Houston County, TX, as authorized by conditional grant #152. <https://texashistory.unt.edu/ark:/67531/metaph88664/m1/1/zoom/?resolution=2.006058183329742&lat=4555.432780152512&lon=2072.817145017378> and http://www.glo.texas.gov/ncu/SCANDOCS/archives_webfiles/arcmaps/webfiles/landgrants/PDFs/2/4/1/241059.pdf, image #7 of 8.
- 1852 May 10 A patent was issued for land granted to the Heirs of **Harvey Newton Rhone** for 320 acres in Llano County. Survey was adjacent to the survey of **William P. Patterson**. Chainmen were **A. R. Ragan** and **Perry Price**.
- 1853 May 22 **Jesse G. Thompson** assigned his right to his head right for one league (abutting **John La Raviere**) and one labor (abutting the survey of **Elizabeth Clapp**) of first-class land in Houston County (*Houston County, Texas Deeds, Book K*, page 123) to **Mobley Rhone**. A league and labor of land was about 4,605 acres. <https://texashistory.unt.edu/ark:/67531/metaph88664/m1/1/zoom/?resolution=2.006058183329742&lat=6485.267005514087&lon=1210.9392576570046>
- 1860 Feb 11 **M. Rhone** sold to **D. L. Burton** and **Constance Thompson** for \$550, 110 acres which was part of a headright of **Z. Thompson**. Recorded 17 Aug 1865. *Houston County, Texas Deeds, Book P*, page 83 (67). Witnessed by **Wilson E. Hail** and **O. C. Aldrich**.
- 1861 Dec 11 **M. Rhone** by Sheriff. *Houston County, Texas Deeds, Book 9*, page 304. Suit in favor of **John Box**, adm of estate of **Thos. G. Box**, decd.
- 1867 Aug 3 **Mobley Rhone** and **Elizabeth L. Rhone**, his wife, to **Alfred P. Howel** for \$1,300 in gold, part of a league granted to **John C. Hagan** by the Mexican Government containing 209 ½ acres, plus a portion of said league sold out to **Nathaniel Shirley** containing 240 1/10ths acres. *Houston County, Texas Deeds, Book Q*, page 152. Witnessed by **James R. Burnett** and **Wm M. Taylor**.

- 1867 Aug 9 **Mobley Rhone** appears on page 325, line 572, precinct 1 of the Houston County, TX Voter Registration List, where it notes he had lived in Texas for 29 years and in Houston County for 28 years, that he was white and was born in North Carolina. He, unlike many others, was able to sign his own name. This was a special voter registration conducted during 1867-1896 only, and apparently only took place in 1867 for Houston County. Ancestry.com's *Texas, Voter Registration Lists, 1867-1869*.
- 1867 Aug 23 **George W. Rhone** appears on page 335, line 968, precinct #5 of the voter registration list for Houston County, TX. He states that he had lived in Texas for 28 years and in Houston County, Texas for 28 years, that he was white and was born in North Carolina. He, too, was able to sign his own name. Ancestry.com's *Texas, Voter Registration Lists, 1867-1869*.
- 1867? **Mobley Rhone** to **R. Hagan**. *Houston County, Texas Deeds, Book Q*, page 151.
- 1867 Sep 4 **Mobley Rhone** and wife **E. L.**, **T. J. Tipton** and wife **M.A.**, and **Nancy Oliver** to **Griffin A. Bynum** for \$450, a part of the headright of **John Burleson** conveyed on 21 Jan 1850 and originally recorded in Book H, pages 539 & 540. *Houston County, Texas Deeds, Book Q*, page 194. Witnessed by **Allen D. Allbright** and **A. A. Aldrich**.
- 1868 Oct 24 **James Daniel** and **Catherine**, his wife, sold to **M.** and **E. L. Rhone** 220 acres in Anderson County, TX for \$500. The land was part of a headright league granted to **Roland W. Box**. The property had been partitioned out of **Box's** estate to **Sarah Holmes**, one of his legal heirs. *Anderson County, Texas Deeds, Book N*, page 258.
- 1868 Dec 29 **G. W. Rhone** from **J. R. Simpson** and wife. Part of the **E. Clapp** league. *Houston County, Texas Deeds, Book Q*, page 512.
- 1868 Dec 29 **G. W. Rhone** to **J. M. Porter**. *Houston County, Texas Deeds, Book Q*, page 517. Promissory note to **Ellen Simpson** for the property described in *Houston County, Texas Deeds, Book Q*, page 512.
- 1869 **M. Rhone** was listed in the tax rolls of Anderson County Texas.
- 1869 Nov 26 **Mobley Rhone** to **J. M. Porter** for \$177, one labor of land near Mustang Prairie abutting **Elisha Clapp's** league. *Houston County, Texas Deeds, Book S*, page 47. His wife did not sign. Witnessed by **John T. Smith** and **A. LeGory**.
- 1870 **Robert Rhone** was enumerated in the Federal Census for Anderson County Texas (Palestine Post Office), with wife Elizabeth and three children.
- 1871 Jun 28 **M. Rhone** signed permission for his son (**Sylvanus L. Rhone**) to marry **Sallie E. Trim** in Anderson County, Texas. <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:939Z-Y89N-SD?i=737&cc=1803987>
- 1873 **M. Rhone** was listed in the tax rolls of Anderson County Texas.
- 1874 **Mobley Rhone** was listed in the tax rolls of Anderson County Texas.
- 1875 Aug 16 **Ed R. Lyon** stated in a request for a marriage license in Anderson County, Texas that **S. D. Rhone** was of age and that she had no surviving parents (thus **Mobley Rhone** had died by this date).
- 1875 Dec 10 **E.L. Rone**, widow of **M. Rone**, to **G. W. Whitley**. *Anderson County, Texas Deeds, Book S*, page 133.
NOTE: There were no Rhones, Rones or Roans found listed after a cursory examination of Anderson County, TX probate records.
- 1875 Sep 15 **G. W. Rhone** to **M. A. Rhone**. *Houston County, Texas Deeds, Book Y*, page 354.
- 1875 Dec 10 **G. W. Rhone** to **Wm. V. Tunstall**. Land located 11 miles west of Crockett on **Elisha Clapp's** headright. *Houston County, Texas Deeds, Book Y*, page 31.

- 1876 Oct 14 **Mary E. Roan** to **T. J. P????** and wife. *Houston County, Texas Deeds, Book Z*, page 17. 12 miles west of Crockett.
- 1883 Jan 24 **G. W. Rhone** and wife **M. A. E. Rhone** to **J. J. Bynum**. *Houston County, Texas Deeds, Book 9*, page 207.
- 1890 Feb 27 **G. W. Rhone** died at his home in Porter Springs (Houston County, TX).
- 1890 Nov **Mrs. G. W. Rhone** moved to Brownwood, where her mother lives.
- 1894 May 14 W. T. Rhone died of pernicious Malaria, having been resident in the city for just 28 days. <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QSQ-G9J3-ZN1V?cat=1461894>, line 54, images 432 and 433 of 441.

John Rhone Timeline

To reiterate, this John Rhone is not related to our clan, but the information found relating to him is preserved here for future researchers of his line.

- 1794 Oct 10 **Henry Roan** witnessed a deed from **Averet Yerby** of Lancaster County, SC to **James Yerby**, 200 acres on Paw Creek adj **George Laney**. Other Wit: **Michael Rook, John Lipé**. Proven Apr 1799. Rec 4 Jun 1799. (Book 16, page 187).
- 1798 **John Rone** was taxed for one white person in Captain Liggett's Company, Mecklenburg County, NC. (Book A, page 18)
- 1799 **John Rone** was taxed for 125 acres and one white person in Captain Liggett's Company, Mecklenburg County, North Carolina.
- 1799 Apr 15 **Avret Yerby** to **Henry Rone (Sr)**, 150 acres on the south fork of Richardson Creek. Wit: **Michael Potts**. Proven Apr 1799. Rec 2 Jun 1799. (Book 16, page 184).
- 1804 Feb 14 **John Rowan's** land was purchased at public sale for \$1.25 by **David Cowan** for non-payment of taxes. (Book 18, page 202).
- 1810 **John Roan** was taxed for taxed for 1 white person in Captain Liggett's Company, Mecklenburg County, NC.
- 1814 Jan 12 **Henry Rone** to **Joshua Sibley**, 100 acres on Farmers Branch of Richardson Creek adj. **George Laney**. Wit: **Geo. Baker**, Jurat, **John Yerby**. Rec 15 Oct 1819. (Book 21, page 152).
- 1820 Census: **John Rone** was enumerated in Mecklenburg County, NC (7 households from James Rone).
- 1822 Jul 22 **John Rhone** made a land entry for property in Tuscaloosa County, Alabama that was part of Section 35, Township 20 S, Range 9 W.
- 1823 Sep 7 **Everett Yerby** patented 80 acres described as the W ½ NW ¼ of Section 19, Township 020 S, Range 9 W in Tuscaloosa, Alabama. **Benjamin Blackburn** and **Absalom Deason** patented land in the same section on the same day. **James Irby** also patented land on 15 Jul 1823, but in Section 24.
- 1824 May 20 **John Rhone** patented 320 acres described as the SW ¼ of Section 25 and the SE ¼ of Section 36, Township 20 S, Range 9 W in Tuscaloosa County, Alabama (about four miles from **Everett Yerby**). **Isaac Ward** patented the SW ¼ of Section 36 one day after John did.
- 1835 Oct 1 **John Rhone** patented 40 acres described as the SE ¼ SE ¼ Section 2, Township 21 S, Range 9 W in Tuscaloosa County, Alabama.

1839 Sep 20 **John Rhone** patented 160 acres described as the NE ¼ of Section 25, Township 20 S, Range 9 W in Tuscaloosa County, Alabama.

1839 **John Rhone** married **Rebecca L. Smith** in Calhoun County, Alabama.

1850 The household of **Rebecca L. Rhone** of Tuscaloosa, Alabama includes the following household members:
 John S. Rhone, age 27
 Hugh R. Rhone, age 26
 Malinda Rhone, age 23
 Matilda Rhone, age 22
 Polly Rhone, age 20
 Thomas Rhone, age 15
 Rebecca Rhone, age 10

1859 Jan 26 A Nacogdoches Scrip for 160 acres in Smith County was issued to **John Rhone**.

1860 Oct 31 **John Rhone** died in Smith County, TX leaving a will that named his heirs.

1863 Mar Distributees noted in the final settlement of **John Rhone's** estate include:
 F. S. Rhone, Smith County, TX
 J. S. Rhone, Wood County, TX
 H. R. Rhone, Wood County, TX
 Malinda Forister, wife of **Wm Forister**, Tuscaloosa, AL
 Matilda Landers, wife of **H. G. Landers**, Wood County, TX
 Mary Anderson, wife of **B. F. Anderson**, Smith County, TX
 Rebecca Lane, wife of **W. T. Lane**, Wood County, TX
 Marion Rhone, Smith County, TX currently serving in the US Army (grandson, probably by Thomas).

1906 **F. S. Rhone** and **John Rhone's** patent.

Appendix B:

Wake County, NC Timelines

NOTE ABOUT TAX RECORDS: tax records for Wake County are available for the years 1781-1794, 1799-1800, 1805, 1810, 1815-1816 and several later years. See FHL Microfilm #2440282, items 4 and 5. Image 735 is the start of the 1815 tax list, which was not reviewed, nor were tax records prior to 1792.

NOTE ABOUT CENSUS RECORDS: The Federal Census records of 1810 and 1820 are missing for Wake County.

Roans/Rones

The John Roan and his relatives who are mentioned in the following timeline lived about ten miles south of where our Rones were living. There was no direct relationship found between the families, and it appears they may not have been related at all.

- 1784 Feb 1 **John Roan** and **George Allen** posted bond for the wedding of **Joel Davis** and **Rebecah Coats**.
- 1792 **John Roan** was taxed for 163 acres of land and two white polls in Capt. S. Terrel's District. <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q57-89G8-99W8-H?i=219&cat=1757154>, image 220 of 1059.
- 1793 Many of the individuals noted in Capt. Ray's 1794 tax list are listed together in 1793, but **William Roan** is missing. <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q57-89G8-99W8-V?i=231&cat=1757154>, images 232 to 235 of 1059.
- 1794 **William Roan** paid the poll tax in Capt. Ray's District. Others found in the same district include **Joel Hall**, **Gorge Allin**, **Ezekiel Mobbley**, **Arthur Lowrey**, **Jesse Lowrey**, **Samuel Reeves**, **William Hall, Junr**, **Jacob Hall**, **Hammon Mobbley**, **Alexander Mobbley**, **William Hall, Senr**, **Darkes Mobbley**, **Ransom Sutherland**, and **Josiah Allin**. <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q57-89G8-99WH-L?i=301&cat=1757154>, images 291 to 293 of 1059.
- 1794 **John Rone** was taxed for 163 acres in Capt. Solomon Ferrell's District. <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q57-89G8-99WH-L?i=301&cat=1757154>, image 302 of 1059.
- 1795 **Samuel Roan**, formerly of Wake County, NC, deposed on 14 Dec 1840 in Lincoln County, TN that he had known **Samuel** and **Susannah Reeves** for 45 years, when he had lived in Wake County.
- 1797 Dec 9 **William Roan** and **Matthew Lowry** were buyers at the estate sale of **John Woodard**. *Wake County, NC Will Book E, page 8.*
- 1797 Dec 22 **John Roan** posted bond for the marriage of **John Woodard** and **Penelope Reaves**.
- 1798 Jul 12 **William Roan** made a payment to the estate of **Samuel King**. *Wake County, NC Will Book E, page 174.*
- 1799 Apr 16 **John Roan** was a buyer at the estate sale of **Bishop Hicks**, with **Caty Hicks**, admx. *Wake County, NC Will Book E, page 327.*
- 1799 Oct 18 **Samuel (x) Roan** and **Benjamin Allen** posted bond for **Samuel Roan's** marriage to **Middy Lowry**. **Lewis Greene** was the witness.

- 1799 Oct 21 **Samuel Roan** posted bond for the marriage of **Peter Potts** and **Lucy Partin**.
1799 **John Rone** was taxed for 75 acres of land, one white “pole” and one black “pole” in Capt. Dread Roger’s district. <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q57-89G8-99W4-Z?i=329&cat=1757154>, image 330 of 1059.
- 1800 Dec **Joan Roan** was a buyer at the estate sale of **Zacharias Thomson**, with **Jonathan Thompson** and **Benjamin Thompson**, adms. *Wake County, NC Will Book F, page 167*.
- 1801 Mar 21 **Samuel Rone** posted bond for the marriage of **Jehu Lowry** and **Catherine Hicks**.
1802 **Samuel Roan** was taxed for 86 acres and 2 white polls in Capt. Mobley’s District. Others taxed in the district include: **Mathew Lowry**, **Jacob Hall**, **Allen Mobley**, **Ezekial Mobley**, **William Hall, Senr**, **Avey Lowry**, **Darcus Mobley**, **Jesse Mobley**, **Ransom Sutherland**, **John Allen**, **David Allen**, **Jesse Lowry**, **William Hall, Junr**, and **Joel Hall**. <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q57-89G8-99WH-L?i=301&cat=1757154>, images 503 to 505 of 1059.
- 1802 **John Rone** was taxed for 75 acres and 3 white polls in Capt. Jesse Hemp’s District. <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q57-89G8-99WH-L?i=301&cat=1757154>, image 549 of 1059.
- 1802 Mar 20 **Samuel Roan** purchased 86 acres of land, abutting the properties of **Robert Crenshaw**, **Jesse Lowry** and **John Young** and lying on Horse Creek, from **Samuel Reaves** for 86 pounds Virginia money. Witnessed by **George Allen Junr**, **Matthew Lowry** and **Jehu Lowry**, Jurat. *Wake County, NC Deeds, Book R, page 15*.
- 1803 Jun 23 **Leonard Rone** posted bond for the marriage of **Wilson Patterson** and **Charity Walker**.
1804 Feb **John Roan** purchased the negro **Rachel** at the estate sale of **Mark High**.
1805 **John Roan** was taxed for 63 acres, 2 white polls and 1 black poll in the Forrest District. <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q57-89G8-99WH-L?i=301&cat=1757154>, image 619 of 1059.
- 1805 The people found in districts where **William Roan** and **Samuel Roan** had lived were living in Saint Matthew’s District, but William and Samuel were not found there: **John Allen**, **William Hall, Junr**, **William Hall, Senr**, **David Allen**, **Joel Hall, Senr**, **Jacob Hall**, **Jesse Lowry**, **Ezekiel Mobley**, **John** (probably **Jehu**) **Lowry**, **Alexander Mobley**, **Joel Hall, Junr**, **Darcas Mobley**, **Allen Mobley**, and **Jesse Mobley**. <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q57-89G8-99H3-Q?i=626&cat=1757154>, images 627 to 632.
- 1806 Feb **John Roan** witnessed **John Norris** grant a power of attorney to **James Harris**.
1806 Sep 26 **Samuel Roan** sold 36 acres of the land that he had bought in 1802 to **James Lowery** for 78 pounds current money of North Carolina. Witnessed by **Benjamin Allen**, jurat, and **James Lowery**. *Wake County, NC Deeds, Book T, page 303*. There is no deed record of the sale of the balance of the property.
- 1806 Dec 18 **John Roan** made a purchase from the estate sale of **Benjamin Smith**.
1806 Dec 23 **John Roan** made a purchase from the estate sale of **Matthew Holding**.
1808 Nov 19 **Lenord Roan** and **Solomon Sutherland** posted bond for **Lenord Roan’s** marriage to **Elizabeth Moore**. **Wm. Hill** was the witness.
- 1810 **John Roan** was taxed for 63 acres, one white poll and one black poll in the Swift Creek District. <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q57-89G8-99H3-Q?i=626&cat=1757154>, image 678 or 1059.
- 1810 Jul 25 **John Roan** received payment from the estate of **William Martin**.

- 1811 Sep 3 Miss **Mary Roan**, age 30, consort of **John Roan**, died.
<http://files.usgwarchives.net/nc/wake/obits/r/roan1526ob.txt>
- 1812 Oct **Jesse Roan** married **Margaret MNU** in Oct 1812. He abused her and eventually abandoned her by Oct 1814.
- 1814 Aug 9 **William Roan** and **Eldridge A. Aderson/Attersson** (sp?) posted bond on for **William Roan's** marriage to **Neomay Brooks**. **B. S. King** was witness.

Mobleys

- 1777 Jul 12 Will of **Edward Mobley**. Wife **Mary**; grandson **James Mobley**, son of **Jeremiah Mobley**; grandson **Edward Mobley**, son of **Jeremiah Mobley**; son **Edward Mobley**; grandson **Ezekiel Mobley**, son of **Edward Mobley**; son **John Mobley**. *Wake County, NC Will Book A, page 92.*
- 1778 Mar 10 **Edward Mobley's** will. Names wife **Milley**, son **Ezekiel**. Livestock and clothing to **William Wade**. Executors **William Wade**, brother **Jeremiah Mobley**, and **William Mobley**. Witnessed by **John High** and **John Mobly**. *Wake County, NC Will Book A, page 136.*
- 1780 May 23 **Lucy Mobley** married **William Blake**, with **J. Rice** posting bond and **Thomas Rice**.
 1784 **William Mobley** estate sale. Buyers include **Lucey Mobley**, **Jeremiah Mobley**, **James Lowry**, and **Mordicai Mobley**. *Wake County, NC Will Book A, page 228.*
- 1790 Census **Alexr Mobley** (single)
Hammon Mobley, household of 8: 1 male under 16, 2 males over 16, 5 females.
Milley Mobley, household of five: 1 male over 16, 2 females, 2 slaves.
Mordecai Mobley, household of 27: 2 males over 16, 6 females, 19 slaves.
- 1792 **Ezekiel Mobley** married **Suckey Mobley**, with **William Bledsoe** posting bond.
 1793 **Ezekiel Mobley**, **Harmon Mobley**, **Allen Mobley**, **Darkesh Mobley** were all taxed in Captain Ray's District. <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QS7-89G8-99WZ-K?i=232&cat=1757154>, images 233 to 235 of 1059.
- 1793 Jan 12 **Jonathan Thompson** married **Fereby Mobley**, with **Ezekiel Mobley** posting bond and **J. Rice** as witness.
- 1794 **William Roan** paid the poll tax in Capt. Ray's District. Others found in the same district include **Joel Hall**, **Gorge Allin**, **Ezekiel Mobbley**, **Arthur Lowrey**, **Jesse Lowrey**, **Samuel Reeves**, **William Hall, Junr**, **Jacob Hall**, **Hammon Mobbley**, **Alexander Mobbley**, **William Hall, Senr**, **Darkes Mobbley**, **Ransom Sutherland**, and **Josiah Allin**. <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QS7-89G8-99WH-L?i=301&cat=1757154>, images 291 to 293 of 1059.
- 1796 Jun 6 **Allen Mobley** married **Betsey Mobley**, with **Ezekiel Mobley** posting bond and **J. Rice** as witness.
- 1796 Oct 28 **John Ray** married **Darcus Mobley**, with **Nathan Ray** posting bond.
 1799 In Captain Ferguson's District includes **Joel Hall**, **William Hall, Junior**, **Darcus Mobley**, **Jesse Mobley**, **R. Sutherland**, **George Allen**, **Allen Mobley**, **Jesse Lowry**, **John Allen**, **Samuel Reeves**, **William Hall, Senr**, **Jacob Hall**, **Avey Lowry**, and **Elizabeth King**. While no Roans are listed, this seems likely to have been the district they had either lived in or near. <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QS7-89G8-99W7-5?i=353&cat=1757154>, images 354 to 356 of 1059.

- 1800 Feb 13 **Delilah Mobley** married **Wilie Brasfield**, with **Abram Blevin** posting bond and **L. Holding** as witness.
- 1802 **Samuel Roan** was taxed for 86 acres and 2 polls in Capt. Mobley's District. Others taxed in the district include: **Mathew Lowry, Jacob Hall, Allen Mobley, Ezekial Mobley, William Hall, Senr, Avey Lowry, Darcus Mobley, Jesse Mobley, Ransom Sutherland, John Allen, David Allen, Jesse Lowry, William Hall, Junr, and Joel Hall.** <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QS7-89G8-99WH-L?i=301&cat=1757154>, images 503 to 505 of 1059.
- 1803 Dec 21 **Huldy Mobley** married **Bolin Kilgow**, with **Henry Seawell** as witness.
- 1805 The people found in districts where **William Roan** and **Samuel Roan** had lived were living in Saint Matthew's District, but William and Samuel were not found there: **John Allen, William Hall, Junr, William Hall, Senr, David Allen, Joel Hall, Senr, Jacob Hall, Jesse Lowry, Ezekiel Mobley, John (probably Jehu) Lowry, Alexander Mobley, Joel Hall, Junr, Darcas Mobley, Allen Mobley, and Jesse Mobley.** <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QS7-89G8-99H3-Q?i=626&cat=1757154>, images 627 to 632.
- 1807 Nov Will of **Dorcas Mobley**, daughters **Molly Lowry, Midda Shaw, Lidda Joplin, Mavel Shaw, Pharaby Thompson, Olive Massey, Betsey Mobley, Suckey Mobley, and Edith Gill.** Son **Jesse Mobley.** Sons-in-law **Jonathan Thompson** and **Allen Mobley.** Witnesses included **Millie Mobley.** *Wake County, NC Will Book 7, page 311.*
- 1808 Jan 14 DIED, in Wake County, near the falls of Neuse, on the 22nd December, MRS. **DORCAS MOBLEY**, in the 70th year of age, after a long and painful confinement of seven years; she had been an inhabitant of Wake for these 50 years past. <http://files.usgwarchives.net/nc/wake/obits/m/mobley1374ob.txt>
- 1807 Nov Will of **Dorcas Mobley**, daughters **Molly Lowry, Midda Shaw, Lidda Joplin, Mavel Shaw, Pharaby Thompson, Olive Massey, Betsey Mobley, Suckey Mobley, and Edith Gill.** Son **Jesse Mobley.** Sons-in-law **Jonathan Thompson** and **Allen Mobley.** Witnesses included **Millie Mobley.** *Wake County, NC Will Book 7, page 311.*
- 1808 May Estate sale of **Dorcas Mobley**, executor **A. Mobley.** Buyers on 23 Feb 1808: **Jessee Mobley, Isaac Gill, Jonathan Thompson, Matthew Lowry, John B. Shaw, William Shaw, Allen Mobley** and **Solomon Jones.** *Wake County, NC Will Book 8, page 12.*
- 1808 May Estate sale of **Mordecai Mobley**, administered by **Jesse Mobley.** Purchasers on 25 Jan 1808 included **Matthew Lowrie, Ezekiel Mobley, Gehu Lowery, A. Mobley** for **J. Mobley, Allen Mobley** (negroes **Bess & Rose**), **Math Lowrie** (negro **Easter**), **Harbert Mobley.** *Wake County, NC Will Book 8, page 20.*
- 1808 Dec 6 **Gardner White** married **Sally Barlow**, with **Alexander Mobley** as witness.
- 1809 Dec 13 **Harbert Mobley** married **Elizabeth Hall**, with **Alexander Mobley** posting bond and **Wm Hill** as witness.
- 1811 Jun 22 **John Terry** married **Hannah Mobley**, with **Willie Harrison** posting bond and **Wm Hill** as witness.
- 1813 Dec 10 **Zachariah Mobley** married **Fanny Hall**, with **Harbert Mobley** posting bond and **R. Smith** as witness.
- 1815 Jul 4 **Julius Hall** married **Ruthey Hall**, with **Harbert Mobley** posting bond.

Lowreys

- No date **Arther Lowery** married (**Avea Little**²). **Peter Bruce** posted bond, and **H. Lane** was witness.
- 1779 Aug 9 **David Lowery** was granted 11 acres on Crabtree Creek, abutting **Joel Lane** and **James Lane**. <http://www.nclandgrants.com/grant/?mars=12.14.119.103&qid=385293&rn=1>
- 1779 Aug 9 **Arthur Lowery** was granted 93 acres on the north side of Neuse River on Horse Creek, abutting **Mordecai Mobley**, **Benjamin Davis** and **Suggs**.
<http://www.nclandgrants.com/grant/?mars=12.14.119.129&qid=385618&rn=1>
- 1780 Jun 16 **Davie Lowry** married **Carline Lane**, with **Abraham Hill, Jr** posting bond and **J. Rice** as witness.
- 1784 **William Mobley** estate sale. Buyers include **Lucey Mobley**, **Jeremiah Mobley**, **James Lowry**, and **Mordicai Mobley**. *Wake County, NC Will Book A, page 228*.
- 1784 Dec 24 **Mary Lowry** married **Murry Sims**, with **William Mayes** posting bond.
- 1790 Census **Arther Lowry**, household of 6: 2 males under 16, 1 male over 16, 3 females.
Jesse Lowry, household of 6: 2 males under 16, 1 male over 16, 3 females.
Matthew Lowry, household of 9: 4 males under 16, 1 male over 16, 3 females, 1 slave.
- 1793 **Matthew Lowry**, **Jesse Lowry**, **Arther Lowry** were all taxed in Capt. Horton's District.
<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QS7-89G8-99W8-V?i=231&cat=1757154>, images 232 to 235 of 1059.
- 1794 **William Roan** paid the poll tax in Capt. Ray's District. Others found in the same district include **Joel Hall**, **Gorge Allin**, **Ezekiel Mobbley**, **Arthur Lowrey**, **Jesse Lowrey**, **Samuel Reeves**, **William Hall, Junr**, **Jacob Hall**, **Hammon Mobbley**, **Alexander Mobbley**, **William Hall, Senr**, **Darkes Mobbley**, **Ransom Sutherland**, and **Josiah Allin**. <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QS7-89G8-99WH-L?i=301&cat=1757154>, images 291 to 293 of 1059.
- 1797 Dec 9 **William Roan** and **Matthew Lowry** were buyers at the estate sale of **John Woodard**. *Wake County, NC Will Book E, page 8*.
- 1799 Oct 18 **Samuel (x) Roan** and **Benjamin Allen** posted bond for **Samuel Roan's** marriage to **Middy Lowry**. **Lewis Greene** was the witness.
- 1799 In Captain Ferguson's District includes **Joel Hall**, **William Hall, Junior**, **Darcus Mobley**, **Jesse Mobley**, **R. Sutherland**, **George Allen**, **Allen Mobley**, **Jesse Lowry**, **John Allen**, **Samuel Reeves**, **William Hall, Senr**, **Jacob Hall**, **Avey Lowry**, and **Elizabeth King**. While no Roans are listed, this seems likely to have been the district they had either lived in or near. <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QS7-89G8-99W7-5?i=353&cat=1757154>, images 354 to 356 of 1059.
- 1801 Mar 28 **Jehu Lowry** married **Catherine Hicks**. **Samuel Rone** posted bond and **Nathl Lane** was witness.
- 1802 **Samuel Roan** was taxed for 86 acres and 2 polls in Capt. Mobley's District. Others taxed in the district include: **Mathew Lowry**, **Jacob Hall**, **Allen Mobley**, **Ezekial Mobley**, **William Hall, Senr**, **Avey Lowry**, **Darcus Mobley**, **Jesse Mobley**, **Ransom Sutherland**, **John Allen**, **David Allen**, **Jesse Lowry**, **William Hall, Junr**, and **Joel Hall**. <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QS7-89G8-99WH-L?i=301&cat=1757154>, images 503 to 505 of 1059.

- 1802 Mar 20 **Samuel Roan** purchased 86 acres of land, abutting the properties of **Robert Crenshaw**, **Jesse Lowry** and **John Young** and lying on Horse Creek, from **Samuel Reaves** for 86 pounds Virginia money. Witnessed by **George Allen Junr**, **Matthew Lowry** and **Jehu Lowry**, Jurat. *Wake County, NC Deeds, Book R*, page 15.
- 1803 Apr 6 **Avey Lowry** married **Willie Harrison**, with **Lovel Harrison** posting bond, and **S. Turner** as witness.
- 1805 The people found in districts where **William Roan** and **Samuel Roan** had lived were living in Saint Matthew's District, but William and Samuel were not found there: **John Allen**, **William Hall, Junr**, **William Hall, Senr**, **David Allen**, **Joel Hall, Senr**, **Jacob Hall**, **Jesse Lowry**, **Ezekiel Mobley**, **John** (probably **Jehu**) **Lowry**, **Alexander Mobley**, **Joel Hall, Junr**, **Darcas Mobley**, **Allen Mobley**, and **Jesse Mobley**.
<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q57-89G8-99H3-Q?i=626&cat=1757154>, images 627 to 632.
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- 1808 May Estate sale of **Dorcas Mobley**, executor **A. Mobley**. Buyers on 23 Feb 1808: **Jessee Mobley**, **Isaac Gill**, **Jonathan Thompson**, **Matthew Lowry**, **John B. Shaw**, **William Shaw**, **Allen Mobley** and **Solomon Jones**. *Wake County, NC Will Book 8*, page 12.
- 1808 May Estate sale of **Mordecai Mobley**, administered by **Jesse Mobley**. Purchasers on 25 Jan 1808 included **Matthew Lowrie**, **Ezekiel Mobley**, **Gehu Lowery**, **A. Mobley** for **J. Mobley**, **Allen Mobley** (negroes **Bess & Rose**), **Math Lowrie** (negro **Easter**), **Harbert Mobley**. *Wake County, NC Will Book 8*, page 20.
- 1810 The following people were taxed in the Newlight District in 1810: **Jesse Mobley**, **David Allen**, **Jacob Hall**, **Harbert Mobley**, **Jesse Lowry**, **Samuel Allen**, **Alexander Mobley**, **William Hall**, **Joel Hall**. <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q57-89G8-99H3-Q?i=626&cat=1757154>, image 678 to 681 of 1059.
- 1810 Oct 18 **Arther Lowery** married **Sally Joplin**. **Bartlet Bowles** posted bond, and **R. Smith** was a witness.
- 1812 Dec 21 **Green Lowery** married **Chloe Joiner**, with **Willie Harrison** posting bond and **B. S. King** as witness.
- 1815 Jan 14 **Hardy Lowery** married **Tabby Davis**, with **Willie Harrison** posting bond and **B. S. King** as witness.
- 1815 May 15 **Solomon Lowery** married **Patsy Pace**. **Hardy Lowery** posted bond and **B. S. King** was witness.

Appendix C:

Rones/Roans of North Mecklenburg County, NC

- 1806 **Clam Roan** and **Samuel Roan** both paid the poll tax in Capt. Alexander Morrison's District, Mecklenburg County, NC.
- 1807 Apr **Clem Roan** and **Creasy**, his wife, were ordered to administer the estate of **William Roan**, decd. They posted bond with Jas. Potts, Esq. *Mecklenburg County, NC Minutes, Court of Common Pleas and Quarter Sessions, Book 4*, page 660.
- 1807 Jul **Clem Roan** returned the inventory of the estate **William Roan**. Amount was \$201.45. *Mecklenburg County, NC Minutes, Court of Common Pleas and Quarter Sessions, Book 4*, page 682.
- 1808 **Elim Roan** paid the tax for two males over 21 years old and **Samuel Roan** paid the poll tax, both in Capt. Porter's District, Mecklenburg, NC.
- 1809 Apr 6 **William Rowan** married **Margaret (Taylor) Franklin** in Mecklenburg County, NC. **James Taylor** posted bond and **Isaac Alexander** was a witness.
- 1810 **Clem Roan** and **Samuel Roan** paid the poll tax in Capt. William Porter's District, Mecklenburg County, NC.
- 1810 **Clem Roan** and **Saml Roan** were listed side-by-side in the Federal Census in Captain William Porters District, **Wm Roan** was listed three household's later. A few households after **Williams'** are those of **Abraham Taylor** and **William Taylor**, brothers of **Margaret Roan** (wife of **William Roan**):
Clem Roan's household:
Males, 10-15 years old - 3
Males, 16-25 years old - 1
Males, 45 and over - 1
Females, under 10 - 2
Females, 10-15 years old - 1
Females, 16-25 years old - 1
Females, 45 and over - 1
Samuel Roan's household:
Males, under age 10 - 1
Males, 16-25 - 1
Males, 26-44 - 1
Females, under age 10 - 5
Females, 26-44 - 1
William Roan's household:
Males, under age 10 - 2
Males, 16-25 - 1
Females, 26-44 - 1
- 1811 **Samuel Roan**, **William Roan** and **Clem Roan** all paid the poll tax in Capt. William B. Porter's District, Mecklenburg County, NC. At this time, there were 7 Bigham households, 5 Denkins households in the district.
- 1815 **Samuel Roan** was taxed for 55 acres and paid the poll tax in Capt. John Harris' Company, Mecklenburg County, NC.
Solomon Roan also paid the poll tax there.

- 1815 May **Alexander Gibney** (assignee) v. **Samuel Roan**. It was found that the act and deed was of the defendant, but that it is paid off. *Mecklenburg County, NC Minutes, Court of Common Pleas and Quarter Sessions, Book 6*, page 27.
- 1816 Jan 22 **Margaret (X) Roan**, relict of **William Roan** to **William Taylor** for \$36, two surveys on Sugar Creek, 8 ³/₄ acres adj the Steel Creek Meeting House and **Benajmin Brown**, and 3 ¹/₄ acres adj the said meeting house and **Reuben Freeman**, which she inherited from the estate of her brother, **Archibald Armstrong Taylor**, being an undivided 1/5th interest. Others with interest in the property were her brothers **Abraham, John, James** and **William Taylor**. *Mecklenburg County, NC Minutes, Court of Common Pleas and Quarter Sessions, Book 20*, page 185.
- 1816 Dec 6 **Martha & Walter Faires (Waller Farris)** to **Samuel Roan** for \$300, 60 acres on Beaverdam Creek adj Greer. Witnessed by **Wm H Wilson** and **Wm Robeson**. *Mecklenburg County, NC Minutes, Court of Common Pleas and Quarter Sessions, Book 20*, page 352.
- 1817 Mar 31 **Cornelious Hazzard** married **Catherine Roan** in Mecklenburg County, NC. **Joseph Black** posted bond, and **John Rea, J. P.** was witness.
- 1818 Mar 20 Entries related to **Margaret Roan**, alias **Margaret Franklin**, alias **Margaret Taylor**. Mentions her brothers and her father, **Capt. Jon Taylor**, decd. *Mecklenburg County, NC Minutes, Court of Common Pleas and Quarter Sessions, Book 21*, page 25.
- 1818 Mar 21 **Solomon (x) Roan** married **Fanny Parrish** in Mecklenburg County, NC. Bond posted by **Herbert (x) Roan**. Witness was **Isaac Alexander**.
- 1818 Jul 30 **Harbert Roan** married **Elizabeth Martin** in Mecklenburg County, NC. Bond by **Jonathon Reed**.
- 1818 Oct 9: **Sarah Rone** was named as one of the heirs to the estate of **James Clark**, decd, of Orange County, NC. *Bedford County, TN Deeds, Book L*, page 338. She was unmarried and living in Orange County in 1796 when her father (James Clark) wrote his will.
- 1820 May 20 **Mobley Rhone** (older brother of **Mathew Rone**) married **Mary Prater** in Mecklenburg, NC. **Nathan Prather** posted bond. **Isaac S. Alexander** was a witness.
- 1820 Nov 15 The Federal Census was conducted in Mecklenburg County, NC. **Robert J. Dinkins, Robert Bigam** and **Cornelious Hazard** were enumerated in the same neighborhood, as were other Dinkins and Bigams, plus an **Elum Roan** (found elsewhere as Clem Roan).
- 1820 Mecklenburg, NC Census. **Harbot Roan, Waller Farris** and **Saml Roan** were enumerated side-by-side. Clem's household was listed 6 pages before theirs:
Elen (or Elim) Roan (Clem)
Males, 16-18 - 1
Males, 16-25 - 1
NOTE: The above amounts to only one person who was aged between 16 & 18: there were six tallies in this record, but the total number of people in the household was only five.
Males, over 45 - 1
Females, 10-15 - 2
Females, over 45 - 1
Samuel Roan
Males, under 10 - 3
Males, 16-25 - 1
Males, 45 and over - 1

- Females, under 10 - 3
 Females, 10-15 - 2
 Females, 16-25 - 1
 Females, over 45 - 1
- 1820 Nov 8 **Samuel Roan** to **Samuel P. Lindsay** for \$800, 60 acres on Beaverdam Creek adj. Greer. **Thomas Greer** and **Abraham Taylor** witnesses. *Mecklenburg County, NC Minutes, Court of Common Pleas and Quarter Sessions, Book 21*, page 248. NOTE: The second witness is normally someone who is looking after the wife's dower interest, and thus is usually in some way related to her. She was not a Taylor, as an earlier deed names his other four siblings (his only sister married William Rone). Abraham married Jenny Neely, so it could be that Samuel's wife was a Neely
- 1822 Apr 25 **William Rone** married **Elizabeth Bigham** in Mecklenburg County, NC. **Nathan Prather** was bondsman and **R J Dinkins** was witness.
- 1822 Nov **James Davis** v. **Clement Rone**. Found that the defendant did assume to the amount of \$10, and that there is a Set Off. Appeal prayed and granted. *Mecklenburg County, NC Minutes, Court of Common Pleas and Quarter Sessions, Book 6*, page 443.
- 1823 Nov **Clement Roan** v. **James Davis**. Jury charged, find all the issues in favor of the plaintiff and assess his damage to \$44.71. Appeal prayed and granted. *Mecklenburg County, NC Minutes, Court of Common Pleas and Quarter Sessions, Book 7*, page 23.
- 1823 **Herbert Roan** paid the poll tax in Mecklenburg County, NC in Captain Hugh Harris' company.
- 1823 **Nathan Prater** paid the poll tax in Mecklenburg County, NC in Captain Hugh Harris' company. It is the only record of him paying taxes in the county. There is no record that he owned any land there. This appears to be the former district of William B. Porter. Further, it appears that this district is also likely the District #2 found in the 1790 Census for Mecklenburg County, NC. This district was located at the extreme northern end of Mecklenburg County, west of Rocky River and south of Iredell County.
- 1830 Census: **Mobley Rhone** was enumerated in Lincoln County, NC. In his household were two sons, one born 1825-1830, one born 1820-1825. There appears to have been some of loss of Census information on this particular page, as over 90% of the entries show no female household members.
- 1832: **Mathew Rone** was said to have fought in the Black Hawk War.

Appendix D:

Rones/Roans of South Mecklenburg County, NC

The following is an incomplete analysis that was undertaken to attempt to better understand Henry Rone, Senior and Henry Rone, Junior, and their family and property in Mecklenburg County, North Carolina, who were possibly ancestors of Mathew Rone and Mobley Rhone. Specifically, the aim was to better understand if both men, or only one of them, was the owner of various properties in the county. The analysis stopped once it was concluded that there was no relation between these Rones/Roans and the Rhones/Rones that are the subject of this compilation of research notes. The timeline is preserved here simply as a potential resource for descendants of that unrelated clan.

From a separate analysis of land records, a Henry Rone initially settled prior to 1790 along the southern border of Mecklenburg County, NC, where it abuts Lancaster County, South Carolina near Lynch River. He sold the property in 1802. The analysis that follows points to this having been Henry Rone, Junior. There is an 1802 Lancaster County deed (no month given) from Henry Rone of Montgomery County, North Carolina. This would appear to be Henry Rone, Jr, who after selling his properties on Lynches Creek moved east to the abutting county - Montgomery.

A Henry Rone also purchased property on Richardson Creek in 1799. This is believed to be Henry Rone, Senior.

A primary goal of this undertaking was to establish whether any of the Rones, who settled in present-day central Union County, North Carolina (then Mecklenburg County), just above the border of South Carolina, were the father of Matthew Rone, born 1814, and Mobley Rhone, born 1799. The conclusion that was reached was that Mobley Rhone, who married in Mecklenburg County in 1820 was instead living in the neighborhood of Samuel and Clement Rone/Roan in the northernmost part of the County, and it was far more likely that he was directly related to them.

Geographic Notes

Lynches River forms the eastern boundary of Lancaster County, South Carolina. It is located in present day Union County, North Carolina. It is located SSW of Alton, NC.

Buffalo Creek (in Mecklenburg County, NC) is the watershed immediately east of Lynches River. It is located SSW of Alton, in present day Union County, NC.

Mounts Creek, Anson County, NC. This could be an historic name for Buffalo Creek.

Jacobs Creek, Montgomery County, NC. This should be located N of Rocky River, most likely in present day Stanly County. It could be in present day Montgomery County, but the Pee Dee River would be a significant obstacle to have been crossed in order to stay in touch with other family members.

1750

Anson County, NC was formed. In 1842, a western portion of the county became part of Union County.

1757 Jan 21

Matthew Roan was named as the surveyor of a 12,500-acre tract in Anson County, NC owned by Patrick Smith of Waterford County, Ireland, which was sold to the Governor of North Carolina for 600 Irish

Pounds. Mecklenburg County, NC Deed Abstracts, 1763-1779 by Brent H. Holcomb and Elmer O. Parker (South Carolina, 1979), page 31.

- 1755 Rowan County, NC
 Rone, Henry
 Rone, Henry Jr.
 Rone, Peter
 Rone, Peter
- 1759 Tax list of Rowan County, NC includes the following names (from *The Rowan Story, 1753-1953* by James S. Brawley (Salisbury, NC, 1953):
 Rone, Henry
 Rone, Henry Jr.
 Rone, Peter
 Rone, Peter
 Rone, Henry
- 1762**
Mecklenburg County, NC was formed from Anson County. In 1842, an eastern portion of the county became part of Union County. In 1794, a northern portion of the county became Cabarrus County.
- 1761 Rowan County, NC
 Henry Roan
 Henry Roan
 Henry Roan 1
 Henry Roan 2
 Adam Roan
 Adam Roan
- 1762 Rowan County, NC
 Henry Rone, Sr
 Henry Rone, Jr
 Henry Rone, Gs of Henry Rone
 Peter Rone
- 1765 Sep 24 **Henry Rone, Sr** was naturalized at Salisbury, Rowan County, NC. *Journal of North Carolina Genealogy, Volume, Number 1, Spring/ Summer 1972*, page 2698.
- 1766 Rowan County NC
 Henry Rone 1st
 Henry Rone 2nd
 Henry Rone 3rd
- 1768 Jun 4 **Susannah Roan** married **Jacob Frank** in Rowan County, NC. **Adam Roan** was bondsman, **John Frohock** was witness.
- 1769 Feb 29 **Adam Rone** was the bondsman for the Rowan County, NC wedding of **George Laney** to **Marey Welch**. Titus Laney was also bondsman. **Jo. Brevard** witness.
- 1770 Rowan County, NC
 Adam Rone
 Henry Rone
 Henry Rone, Jr.
 Peter Roan

- 1773 Oct 16 **Thomas Simpson** and **Margt**, his wife, to **Henry Rone**. 100 acres on the main fork of Mountain Creek, SW of Pee Dee River. Anson County, NC Deeds, Book K, page 238. Witnessed by **Jas Ivey**, **Wm Noble**, **Joseph McLester**.
- 1774 Jul 12 **Thos Simpson** to **Henry Rone**, deed proven by **Wm. Noble**. Anson County, NC Court Minutes. For 100 acres that Simpson patented in 1769.
- 1774 Jul 12 **Tunstall Rone** of Anson County, NC was appointed to a road crew for a road from the county line to Linces Creek.
- 1774 Aug 18 Inventory of the estate of **Peter Roan** by **Edward Moore**. Anson County Minutes.
- 1775 Mar 4 **Adam Roan** patented 150 acres on Mounts Creek S.W. of the Pee Dee River in Anson County, NC, including **Lynces** improvement and abutting **William Coleman's** line.
- 1775 Jul 26 George Shankel sold land to Henry Rone. On Pee Dee River. Anson County, NC Deeds, Book 7, page 49.
- 1777 Apr 19 **Tunstall Roan**, **Adam Roan**, **Henry Roan** and **James Roan** signed a petition to divide Anson County due to the hardship of traveling watercourse to attend the present court. http://www.bmgen.com/document/pdf/Petition_NC_Montgomery-Anson_1777_04_19.pdf
- 1778 **Casper Rone**, Camden District, South Carolina (contains a large area, including present day Lancaster County, SC.
- 1778 Jan 21 **Tunstall Rone** and **Milly**, his wife, to **Edward Moore**. 157 acres on Yadkin River. Anson County, NC Deeds, Book K, page 526.

1779

Montgomery County, NC was formed from Anson County (as was Richmond County). In 1841, the half of the county west of the Pee Dee River became Stanly County.

- 1779 **Henry Roan** patented 100 acres SW side of Pee Dee River in Anson County, NC near **Joseph Vickory's** improvement. He made the land entry for this property on 16 Dec 1778.
- 1779 Feb **Flanery Rone** and **Adam Rone** are listed in a petition to the governor for the purpose of creating a new county of Montgomery from the upper end of Anson County.
- 1780 **Adam Rone** patented 150 acres on Mounts Creek, SW of the Pee Dee River.
- 1782? An undated sale of the estate of **Peter Rone** in Anson County. Buyers: **Adam Rone**, **Henry Rone**, Davis Smith, William Picket, William Noble, Edward More, John Hagler, John Walker, Jacob Van Huser, Henry McMillion, William Pritchett, Thomas Noble. *NC Archives C. R. 005.801.1*, pages 275-276.
- 1782 **John Rone** was taxed for 100 acres of land, 1 male or horse and two cattle in Montgomery County, NC.
Adam Rone, invalid, was taxed for 150 acres of land, 2 males/horses and four cattle in Montgomery County, NC.
NOTE: Few other records are available for Montgomery County, NC, except for the 1802 deed of Henry Rone (below).
- 1783 Oct 11: **Adam Rone** was granted 100 acres of land in Montgomery County, NC on the waters of Jacobs Creek on **Henry Rone's** line. At this time, Montgomery County included all of present-day Stanly and Montgomery Counties.

- 1783 Oct 1 **Henry Roan** was granted 61 acres on Jacob's Creek SW of the town of Pee Dee in Anson County, NC. The patent references the property abutting another property already owned by **Henry Roan**.
- 1787 Mar 28: **Henry Rone, Sr.** made land entry 1152 for 80 acres on Linches Creek in Mecklenburg County, NC.
- 1787 Jul 19: **Henry Rone, Sr.** received a warrant to survey 80 acres on Linches Creek in Mecklenburg County, NC. He and **Darlin Belk** participated in the survey.

1790

Henry Rowan (JUNIOR), Mecklenburg County, NC.

His household contains one male over age 16 and two females.

This would seem to be **Henry Rone, Junior**.

This means that he had one daughter, implying that he was recently married, probably in 1798 or so. If he married at age 21 like most males of the era, then he was born about 1777.

Henry Roan, Lancaster County, NC

His household contains one male over age 16, three other males and three females.

- 1791 Dec 20: **Henry Rone (Jr)** received grant #957 for 79 acres in Mecklenburg County, NC, located on Linches Creek.
- 1794 Oct 10: **Henry Roan** witnessed a deed from **Averet Yerby** of Lancaster County, SC to **James Yerby**, 200 acres on Paw Creek adj **George Laney**. Other Wit: **Michael Rook, John Lipe**. Proven Apr 1799. Rec 4 Jun 1799. (*Mecklenburg County, NC Deeds, Book 16*, page 187).
- 1796 Jun 9: **Henry Rone** sold to **James Mettor** 79 acres on Linches Creek in Mecklenburg County, NC. Witnessed by **Geo. Leeney** and **Michel Potts**. Recorded 2 Jun 1799. (Book 16, page 176).
- 1798: **Henry Rone** was taxed for 125 acres and 1 white person in Captain Liggett's Company, Mecklenburg County, NC.
John Rone was taxed for one white person, same place. (Book A, page 18)
- 1796 Apr 5 **Averet Yearby** of Lancaster County, South Carolina to **James Yearby** for 60 pounds, 200 acres on Paw Creek. Witnesses: **Henry Rone, Michael Rook** and **George Laney**. *Mecklenburg County, NC Deeds, Book 16*, page 187.
- 1798 Jun 30 **Everet Yerby** sold land to **J. Glasgow** on the head of Richardson's Creek adjacent to Roans line. Mecklenburg County, North Carolina Deeds, Book 14, page 304.
- 1799 Apr **Averet Yearby** of Lancaster County, South Carolina to **James Yearby** for 200 acres dated 5 Apr 1798, proved by **Henry Rone** (Item 17).
Averet Yearby to **Henry Rone** for 150 acres of land dated 15 Apr 1799, proved by **Michael Otts** (Item 20).
Henry Rone to **John Melton** for 79 acres of land dated 9 Jun 1796, proved by **Michael Otts** (Item 28). *Mecklenburg County, NC Deeds, Book 16*, page 176, and from *Mecklenburg County, NC Minutes, Court of Common Pleas and Quarter Sessions, Book 4*, page 164.
- 1799 Apr 15: **Avret Yerby** to **Henry Rone (Sr)**, 150 acres on the south fork of Richardson Creek. Wit: **Michael Potts**. Proven Apr 1799. Rec 2 Jun 1799. (*Mecklenburg County, North Carolina Deeds, Book 16*, page 184).

- 1799 Jul **Henry Rone** is appointed Road Overseer of the road from the So. Carolina line to Beaver Dam on the Rocky River Road in the room of Darling Odum.
The above from *Mecklenburg County, NC Minutes, Court of Common Pleas and Quarter Sessions, Book 4*, page 174 (184).
- 1799: **John Rone** was taxed for 125 acres and one white person in Captain Liggett's Company, Mecklenburg County, North Carolina.
Henry Rone was taxed for 350 acres and 1 white person, same place. (Book A, page 25)
- 1800 Census: Mecklenburg County, NC
James Roan, Sr.
James Roan, Jr. (listed side-by-side)
Adam Roan. He is listed 13 households later and does not appear in later records there.
He and a female were over 45 years of age, with no other household members.

Henry Roan, Jr.

His household consists of:

- 1 male, aged 26-44 (b. 1756-1774)
- 1 male under age 10 (b. 1790-1800), this could be Mobley Rone.
- 1 female, aged 16-25 (b. 1775-1784)
- 3 females under age 10 (b. 1790-1800)

Henry Roan, Sr.

His household consisted of:

- 1 male over 45 years old (b. before 1755)
- 1 male, aged 10-15 (b. 1785-1790)
- 1 female over 45 years old (b. before 1755)
- 2 females aged 16-25 (b. 1775-1784)
- 1 female aged 10-15 (b. 1785-1790)

Since the inference here is that Henry Sr was the father of Henry Junior, and since we know that Henry Junior was born in 1777 or sooner, it is likely that Henry Senior was born fairly close to 1755, IF Junior was a first-born son.

Adam Roan

- 1 male over 45 years old (b. before 1755)
- 1 female over 45 years old (b. before 1755)

Was this Henry, Senior's father or brother? If the former, he was likely born in the 1730s or earlier.

- 1801 Apr 22: **Henry Rone** sold to **James Yearby** 25 acres on the Haw Branch of Richardson Creek. The land was originally surveyed for **Thomas Farmer** and adjacent other lands of both parties. Witnessed by **Geo. Leany** and **Geo. Richardson**. Recorded 4 Jun 1805.
Mecklenburg County, NC Deeds, Book 18, page 161.
- 1802 Oct 4: **Henry Rone** (Jr. He signed with the mark HR) and **James Holliman** sold to **Koonrad Plyler** of Lancaster County two tracts of land: one on the south side of Great Linches Creek containing 105 acres, and another tract of 15 acres originally granted to General Sumpter lying between the same and **Funderberk's**. Wit: **Michael Potts, John Meador**.

- 1802 Aug 16: **Henry Rone** (likely Jr) of Montgomery County, NC (at this time it included all of present-day Stanly County [created 1841]) sold to **Jacob Pair** 100 acres on Buffalo Creek in Mecklenburg County, NC. The land was originally owned by **Averet Yearby**, and it abutted property of **Geo Leany**. Witnessed by **Jas Yearby** and **Averet Yearby**. *Mecklenburg County, NC Deeds, Book 18*, page 100. Recorded 3 Oct 1804.
- 1803 Feb 9: **James Rone** witnessed a deed between **Jason Hicklin**, planter of South Carolina to Richard Griffin for 150 acres of land on both sides of Farmers Branch of Richardson Creek. Rec 20 Mar 1824. (*Mecklenburg County, NC Deeds, Book 22*, page 83)
- 1804 Feb 14: **John Rowan**'s land was purchased at public sale for \$1.25 by **David Cowan** for non-payment of taxes. (*Mecklenburg County, NC Deeds, Book 18*, page 202).
- 1805 Apr Henry Roan was appointed a juror.
- 1806 Mar 13: **Koonrad Plyler** of Lancaster District, SC to **Peter Baker** for \$200. 29 acres on both sides of Great Lynches Creek, being part of land patented to **Henry Rone** 20 ____ 1799. Wit: **Frederick Plyler**, Jurat, **Jos. Holliman**. Proven Aug court 1813. (*Mecklenburg County, NC Deeds, Book 19*, page 312).
- 1806 Oct 25 **Amos Matheny** sold land to **John Rone**. On Richardson Creek. *Anson County, NC Deeds, Book N&O*, page 336.
- 1806: **James Roan** was taxed for 140 acres and 1 white person in Captain Liggett's Company, Mecklenburg County, NC.
Henry Roan, Sr was taxed for 150 acres and 1 white person, same place (Book A, page 38).
- 1807 Jan **Henry Roan** was appointed a juror for the April term.
- 1807 Apr **Henry Roan** was fined for not attending as juror.
- 1808 Jan **Henry Roan**, administrator, returned an inventory of the estate of **Hannah Rogers**, decd.
- 1808: **Henry Roan, Sr?** was taxed for 100 acres in Captain James Liggett's Company, Mecklenburg County, NC.
Henry Roan, Jr? was taxed for 330 acres and 1 white person, same place (NOTE: the editor of this source could not decipher who was the elder or younger).
James Roan was taxed for 70 acres of land and 1 white person, same place. (A, 61)
- 1809 **Henry Roan** and **James Holliman** to **Koonrod Plyler**. Two tracts on the south side of Great Linches Creek: one for 105 acres, the other 15 acres granted to **General Sumpter** and lying between the larger tract and **Funderburk's**. Witnessed by **Michael Potts** and **John Meadors**. Henry signed HR. *Lancaster County, SC Deeds, Book G*, page 219.
- 1809 Jul Henry Roan was appointed as a juror for the August term.
- 1809 Oct Henry Rone was impaneled on a jury.
- 1809 Dec 4: **James Rone** witnessed a deed between **Jonathan Broom** and **Jason Kirklin** for 150 acres on Farmers Branch of Richardson Creek. (*Mecklenburg County, NC Deeds, Book 21*, page 144).

1810

Henry Roan (SENIOR).

1 male over 45 years old (b. before 1765)

1 female over 45 years old (b. before 1765)

3 females aged 16-25 years old (b. 1785-1794)

Seven households after his is the household of **John Rone**.

Three households after John Rone is the household of **James Rone**.

Henry Rone, Junior is not found in the 1810 Census for Mecklenburg County, NC.

- 1810: **John Roan** was taxed for 1 white person in Captain Liggett's Company, Mecklenburg County, NC.
James Roan was taxed for 70 acres of land and 1 white person, same place. (3 households from John)
Henry Roan was taxed for 100 acres of land, same place. (7 households from John, 10 from James) (Book A, page 69)

There is an 1814 deed from Henry Rone (presumably Senior, since he was the only one in the 1810 Census and 1810 tax records). This is the last known record of Henry Rone in Mecklenburg County, NC.

- 1811: **James Roan** was taxed for 100 acres and 1 white person in Captain Liggett's Company, Mecklenburg County, NC. (Book A, page 75)
- 1814 Jan 12: **Henry Rone** to **Joshua Sibley**, 100 acres on Farmers Branch of Richardson Creek adj. **George Laney**. Wit: **Geo. Baker**, Jurat, **John Yerby**. Rec 15 Oct 1819. (*Mecklenburg County, NC Deeds*, Book 21 (19), page 152). Recorded 1819 Oct 14.
- 1814 Feb Henry Roan, Junr. was appointed a juror for the March session.
- 1815 Mar 23 **John Rone** to **Henry Watson**. On Richardson Creek. *Anson County, NC Deeds, Book W*, page 312.
- 1816 Apr 9: **James Jones** to **James Rone**, 75 acres on Richardson Creek adjacent to other lands of the grantee. Wit: **Obediah Thompson**, Jurat and **Levi Presler**. Rec Dec 1817. (*Mecklenburg County, NC Deeds, Book 20*, page 321)
- 1817 Dec 23 **James Rone** to **James Jones**, 75 acres on Richardson Creek. *Mecklenburg County, NC Deeds, Book 20*, page 321.
- 1820 Feb 24: **Arden Ross** to **James Rone**, 275 acres on Richardson Creek, adj **Ann Pain**, **George Laney**, **Rook**, **Richard Vinson**. Wit: **Nathan Ross**, Jurat, **Richd Vinson**. Rec 5 Oct 1820 (*Mecklenburg County, NC Deeds, Book 21 (19)*, page 239)

1820 Census

James Rone. 26-44 years old (b. 1776-1794), with three sons and three daughters, all under 10 years old.

John Rone. 26-44 years old (b. 1776-1794), with three sons and two daughters, all under 10 years old, plus one daughter aged 10-15. No wife.

- 1822 Feb **Samuel Johnston** and **John Roan** were granted leave to retail spiritous liquors. *Mecklenburg County, NC Minutes, Court of Common Pleas, Book 6*, page 393.
- 1823: **James Roan** was taxed for 325 acres valued at \$400 in Captain Ingram's Company (same neighbors as in Captain Liggett's Company), Mecklenburg County, NC. (*Book A*, page 119)
- 1823: The estate of **James Roan** was taxed for 225 acres valued at \$400 in Captain John Ingram's Company (same neighbors as in Captain Liggett's Company), Mecklenburg County, NC. (*Book A*, page 145)

- 1825 Jul 15: **Darling B. Belk**, administrator of the estate of **James Rone**, decd to **Thos. P. Dillon** of Anson County, NC, 75 acres on Richardson Creek. Wit: **John M. Ingram**, Jurat and **A. C. Labatt**. Rec 20 Jun 1826. (*Book 23*, page 46.) NOTE: After the legal description in the deed, Darling Belk is described as the “admr of sd Sam’l Rone” - this was likely an error in transcription and should read James Rone.
- 1826 May **Darling Belk**, adm of **James Rone**, decd, to **Thomas P. Dillon** for 75 acres of land bearing the date of 15 Jul 1825. *Mecklenburg County, NC Minutes, Court of Common Pleas and Quarter Sessions, Book 7*, page 145.
- 1827 Feb **Thomas Winchester** vs. the Heirs of **James Rone: Jane Rone, Eliza Rone, William Rone, Lloyd Rone, Lilly Rone** and **James Rone**. The court ordered that a guardian be appointed.
- 1830 May **William Bibb** vs. the Heirs of **James Roan: Riley Helms** and wife, **Eliza Roan**, and **James Roan**. **Darling Belk** was the administrator of **James Roan**’s estate. **Thomas Winchester** also had two suits against the estate. The jury found the estate had been fully administered and judgment was made against the land.
- 1831 Nov 29 The Sheriff of Mecklenburg County, NC conveyed to **Thomas Winchester** as part of a judgment in favor of sd Winchester, Wm. Bibb and Darling B. Belk against **Riley Helms** and **Jane** his wife, **Sarah Roan** and **Eliza Roan**, heirs at law of **James Rone**. Judgment concerned the widow’s dower.

Appendix E: Rones/Roans of Tennessee

Bedford County, Tennessee

1814 Jan to 1814 May

Samuel Roane served as Sgt Major in Colonel Stephen Copeland's 3rd Regiment, Tennessee Militia. The Regiment was raised from the men of Bedford County, Tennessee and surrounding counties.

1818 Oct 9: **Sarah Rone** was named as one of the heirs to the estate of **James Clark**, decd, of Orange County, NC. *Bedford County, TN Deeds, Book L*, page 338.

1818 Dec 28: **Henry Rone** was the witness to the deed from **Daniel Phillips** to **William Fisher**. *Bedford County, Tennessee Deeds, Book K*, page 356.

It doesn't seem all that likely that the Roans above were related to our clan, but they are included in this timeline because of their similar surname.

1830 Bedford County, Tennessee Federal Census:

Samuel Rone
William Rone

1832 Mar 19 A deed mentions bordering the land of **Charles Roan**. *Bedford County, TN Deeds, Book CC*, page 289.

1832 **William Rhoane** to **Jno Davis**. *Bedford County, TN Deeds, Book CC*, page 416.

1833 **Joseph Byers** to **Wm. Roane**. *Bedford County, TN Deeds, Book DD*, page 217.

1835 (about) **Emaline Fowler** married **Mathew Rone**, likely in Bedford County, TN.

1836 Bedford County, TN tax list, based upon 1835 districts that were created before the reduction of Bedford County caused by the creation of Marshall and Coffee Counties (from *Early History and Genealogy Digest of Bedford County, TN* by Timothy R. and Helen C. Marsh [Greenville, South Carolina, 2005]). The cited source includes a map that shows the locations of these districts:

Henry Roane, District 14, taxed for 137 acres of deeded land worth \$1,096 and one white person (pg. 207).

Levi Roane, District 14, taxed for one white person.

William Roan, District 21, taxed for one white person.

William Roane, by agt, District 5, taxed for 344 acres and one white person.

William Roane, District 6, taxed for 321 acres only.

1836 **Mathew Rone**'s eldest son was born in Missouri (likely Ray County).

1837 **William Roane**, District 20, paid the poll tax.

William Roan by agent, District 6, was taxed for 321 acres worth \$1,200.

1838 **Samuel Rone Junior**, District 23, paid the poll tax of 12 ½ cents.

Wm Roane by agt Wm Houston, District 5, was taxed for 344 acres worth \$1,000.

William Roan, District 6, was taxed for 321 acres of land worth \$2,568.

1839 **William Rone**, District 20, paid the poll tax.

William Roan, District 5, was taxed for 349 acres of land worth \$2,000.

- 1840 Bedford County, Tennessee Federal Census:
William Rone
Saml Roan
- 1840 Ray County, Missouri
Mathew Rone
- 1846 Feb 24 **Samuel Rone** witnessed a deed for a bill of sale from **George** and **Anna Campbell** to **Samuel Anderson**. *Bedford County, TN Deeds, Book OO*, page 360.
- 1848 **Samuel S. Rone** to **Samuel Anderson**. *Bedford County, TN Deeds, Book QQ*, page 275.
[On 20 Oct 2018, the microfilm for this deed has not yet been digitized (476362), so it was not possible to see who witnessed this deed.]
- 1849 Jun **Samuel Roane**, administrator of **James Campbell**, dec'd presented a settlement. *Bedford County, Tennessee, County Court Minutes, Vol. 1, 1848-1855*, page 87.
- 1850 Aug 15: **Henry Rone** assigned his Warrant 25889 for his service as a private in Captain Anderson's 14th Regiment, US Infantry to **John A. Lloyd**.
- 1850 Bedford County, Tennessee Federal Census:
Catherine [Davis] (Catherine Rone Hazzard?)
Samuel Roan, born 1813 NC
- 1850 Ray County, Missouri Federal Census:
Mathew Rone
- 1850 Jul **William Rone** was named administrator of the estate of **Unity Staggs**, decd. **Jesse Davis** posted bond. *Bedford County, TN Court Minutes, 1848-1852*, page 207.
- 1850 Jul 9 **I. N. and E. Rone** and wives to **Nicholas Burns**. Deed. **Isaac N.** and his wife **Eliza Jane Rone** and **Ezekial Rone** and his wife **Lucinda Rone**, sold to **Nicholas Burns**, land in Bedford Co., TN, on head waters of Sugar Creek, a tract that contains about 40 acres and was conveyed to **William Staggs** by **Daniel Baling** by deed, dated 12 Oct 1819, the interest conveyed is two sixths of all the lands of which said **William Staggs** died seized and possessed in Bedford Co., TN, being the share of the said **Eliza Jane** and **Lucinda** in said land which descended from their father **William Staggs**. Land sold to **Nicholas Burns**. Reg: 22 Aug 1850. *Bedford County, TN Deeds, Book SS*, page 79.
- 1851 Jan Petition of **Nicholas Burns**, **George W. King** & wife **Lovina**, **Jesse Chockley** & wife **Charlotts**, **Johu Blagg** and **Judy** his wife, presented the report of the clerk and master regarding the title of **Nicholas Burns** to the interests of **Isaac Rone** and **Eliza Jane** his wife, and **Ezekiel Rone** and **Lucinda** his wife. **Nath. White** and **Thos. Dryden**, who appraised the land of **William Staggs**, decd at \$6 per acre and found that it was wholly impractical to divide the land into six parts. They stated that they were well acquainted with the children and heirs of **William Staggs**, decd, and that the parties named in the petition are said heirs. The clerk and master reports that he has examined the conveyance of **Isaac Rone** and wife **Eliza Jane** and **Ezekiel Rone** and wife **Lucinda** and found that they had conveyed their 2/6ths interest in the land to **Nicholas Burns**. They found that William Burns died in possession of two small tracts of land in Bedford County, TN on the headwaters of Sugar Creek containing 40 acres and 47 acres respectively. It was ordered that the remaining interests in the land be sold at auction to the highest bidder at a price of not less than \$6 per acre. *Bedford County, Tennessee County Court Minutes, Vol 1, 1848-1852*, page 278.

- 1851 Feb Final decree for the petition for the sale of land of **William Staggs**, decd. The first property was described as abutting a 1,000-acre tract of **Anthony Sharp** and **Thomas Dougan**, abutting a 166-acre land entry made by **Malcom Gilchrist**. The second property, upon which **William Staggs** had lived, also abutted **Sharp** and **Dougan**, and touched **John Gant**'s NE corner, **Clark's** corner, and **John Allen**'s west boundary line, thence along **Allen's** and **Stancell Moore's** line. Granted by the State of Tennessee to **Wm Staggs** by grant No. 11223 dated 6th December 1832. *Bedford County, Tennessee County Court Minutes, Vol 1, 1848-1852*, pages 290-291.
- 1854 Aug **James C. Gambill**, **Samuel Anderson** and **Samuel Roane** to lay off support for widow and family of **Eli C. Griffin**, deceased. *Bedford County, TN Court Minutes, 1852-1855*, page 301.
- 1855 May **Samuel Roan** and **Jarel Smith** posted bond for **John S. Thompson** to be guardian of **Sarah Jane Brown**, minor heir of **Rufin Brown**, decd. *Bedford County, TN Court Minutes, 1852-1855*, page 470.
- 1855 Aug 11 Bank of Tennessee v. **Richard Anderson**, **Saml Doak**, **Saml Roane** and **D. S. Evans**. Suit in favor of the plaintiffs. *Bedford County, TN Circuit Court Minutes, 1853-1855*, page 500.
- 1856 Dec 27 **Samuel Roane** from **John S. Thompson**, Deed of Trust.
- 1857 Jan 1 **Samuel Roane** and **G. P. Baskette** secured the purchase of property made by **John S. Thompson** from **F. F. Fonville**. *Tennessee, Supreme Court Decisions, 1860*, Range 32, Section E, Shelf 2, Box 313 (32 pages).
- 1857 Dec 24 **Samuel Roane** from **L. C. Reed**, Trust Deed. *The Burned Deed Index of Bedford County, Tennessee, 1852-1861* by Timothy Marsh (1998).
- 1857 Dec 26 **Charlotte S. Roane** from **S. E. Gilliland**, Deed of Gift. *The Burned Deed Index of Bedford County, Tennessee, 1852-1861* by Timothy Marsh (1998).
- 1858 Feb **Samuel Roan** posted bond for **John S. Thompson** to be guardian of his minor children: **Asberry**, **Mary**, **Elizabeth**, and **Thomas Thompson**. *Bedford County, TN Court Minutes, 1857*, page 69.
- 1858 Apr 10 **The President and Directors of the Bank of Tennessee** vs. **Bradley Gambill**, **Aaron Gambill** and **Samuel Roane**, No. 152 Debt. Plaintiff recovered \$125 debt plus \$8 damages. *Bedford County, Tennessee, Circuit Court Minutes, 1857-1858*, page 410.
- 1859 Feb 5 **Samuel Roane** to **Anderson Rucker**, Deed, 79 acres, 15 poles. *The Burned Deed Index of Bedford County, Tennessee, 1852-1861* by Timothy Marsh (1998).
- 1859 Apr 18 **James C. Snell** vs. **Samuel Roane**, Judgment of Condemnation. **William Gilbreath**, acting Justice of the Peace, was ordered to summon **Richard Anderson** and his security **Samuel Roane** to answer the complaint of **Jas. C. Snell** regarding a debt of less than \$500. *Bedford County, Tennessee, Circuit Court Minutes, 1858-1859*, page 519.
- 1859 Sep 23 The final decree of the Supreme Court case of **John S. Thompson** v. **F. F. Fonville**.

Ray County, MO Deeds

No deeds found involving John W. Roberts in Volume 1 index to deeds, 1820-1862.

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M. L. Rhone to Thos B. Fowler, Book H, page 151.

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Nathaniel Rone to Jesse G. Fowler, Book J, page 130.
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Lincoln County, Tennessee

- 1819 Oct **Henry Roan v. Reuben Woodard**, Lincoln County, TN. Plaintiff dropped two suits: in the first, the plaintiff assumed payment of all costs and the defendant recovered his costs, in the second, the defendant assumed costs and the plaintiff recovered his costs.
- 1820 Jan **Reuben H. Roan** was appointed constable in Lincoln County, TN.
- 1830 Lincoln County, Tennessee Federal Census:
Herbert Rone
Solomon Rone
- 1836 **Herbert Roan** and **John Roan** were on the tax list for District 11.
- 1836 **Solomon Roan** was on the tax list for District 25.
- 1840 Lincoln County, Tennessee Federal Census:
Herbert Rone
Samuel Rone
Clement Rone
Catherine (Rone) Hazzard
- 1840 Jan 25 **James Woodard** married **Rebecah Roane** in Lincoln County, TN.
- 1840 Sep 3 **Caroline T. Roan** married **Hugh P. Mooney** in Lincoln County, TN.
- 1840 Dec 14 **Samuel Roan**, age 65, deposed that he had known **Samuel Reeves** when they both had lived in Wake County, North Carolina. <http://revwarapps.org/w56.pdf>
- 1843 Feb 9 **Samuel Roane** married **Elizabeth DeJarnett** in Lincoln County, TN.
- 1844 Jul 26 **John Roan** married **Nancy Deshaser** in Lincoln County, TN.
- 1849 Oct 29 **Haisting Roan** married **Eliza Deshager** in Lincoln County, TN.
- 1850 Lincoln County, Tennessee Federal Census:
Herbert Rone
- 1850 Feb 14 **Silvester McKinney** married **Margret A. Roan** in Lincoln County, TN.
- 1852 Mar 24 **Samuel H. A. Roan** married **Lydia McDaniel** in Lincoln County, TN.
- 1852 Aug 6 **James Roane** married **Jane M. King** in Lincoln County, TN.
- 1853 Oct 6 **Alexander Smith** married **Mary Rone** in Lincoln County, TN.
- 1855 Jan 3 **Temple Scott** married **Nancy Roane** in Lincoln County, TN.
- 1855 Oct 1 **John Roane** had a letter waiting at the post office in Fayetteville. *Fayetteville (TN) Observer*, Thursday, 4 Oct 1855, page 3, column 4.
- 1856 Apr 24 **Samuel H. Rhone** married **Nancy Brown** in Lincoln County, TN.
- 1857 Sep 3 *Fayetteville Observer*: "In this county on the 28th of old age Mrs. Ruth Roane, 93 years old."
- 1860 Lincoln County, Tennessee Federal Census:
Herbert Rone
Catherine (Rone) Hazard
- 1866 May 3 **Harbert Rone** was listed as a voter under the Franchise Law. *Fayetteville Observer*, 16 Aug 1866, page 2, column 3, 1st article.
- 1870 Lincoln County, Tennessee Federal Census:
Herbert Rone
- 1874 Aug 22 **Harbert Rone** was listed as having a letter at the post office in Fayetteville, TN. *Fayetteville Observer*, 22 Aug 1874, page 3, column 4, 4th article.

Hardin County, Tennessee

- 1848 As authorized by the Occupant Act of 1848, **Absalom Rone** made land entry #635 for 69 $\frac{3}{4}$ acres of land on Turkey Creek, Range 12, Section 3 abutting **Charles Martin**'s land. The land was located on 14 Mar 1841 (*Hardin County, Tennessee, Land Entries, Book 4*, page 275).
- 1849 Feb 26 **Solomon (x) Roane** of Hardin County, TN to **James Ward** of same place for \$5. Security for a debt in the amount of \$40.40 owed to **Amzi Reed** - 115 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres in District 8 bordering **Sherwood Hatley, Gibbs** and **W. Hopkins, William Gilbert**. The debt was due 25 Dec 1849. (*Hardin County, Tennessee Deeds, Book H*, page 230).
- 1849 Sep 3 **John McRoss** was appointed the administrator of the estate of **Solomon Roan**. *Hardin County, Tennessee County Court Minutes, Book D, 1843-1850*, page 398.
- 1849 Sep 3 Commissioners appointed to lay off a year's support for the widow and orphans of **Solomon Roan**. *Hardin County, Tennessee County Court Minutes, Book D, 1843-1850*, page 399.
- 1850 Jan 4 List of releasements and insolvencies for the year 1849. Includes **Hastin Roane**, 4th District. *Hardin County, Tennessee Court Minutes, Book D*, page 419.
- 1850 Jan 19 **Solomon Roane**'s debt of \$55 to **Amzi Reed** was settled in Hardin County, TN, with the 115-acre property being sold to **John Martin** to satisfy the debt. (*Hardin County, Tennessee Deeds, Book H*, page 390).
- 1850 Oct 10 **John Roan**, in consideration of \$5, granted to **John Martin** of Hardin County, TN the right to sell his interest in 115 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres in Hardin County, TN, District 8, bordering **Gibbs** and **Hopkins, William Gilbert**, if he failed to satisfy a debt of \$107.66 owed to Jas. A. and Felix Johnson by 1 Jan 1852. (*Hardin County, Tennessee Deeds, Book H*, page 479).
- 1851 Apr 7 List of releasements and insolvencies for the year 1850. Includes **A. Roane** (G), 4th District. *Hardin County, Tennessee Court Minutes, Book F*, page 81.
- 1859 Apr 4 List of releasements and insolvencies for the year 1858. Includes **Isaac Roane** (DF), 4th District. *Hardin County, Tennessee Court Minutes, Book G*, page 200.
- 1888 Non-Resident Notice. **Solomon Roan** and **William Brown** were ordered to appear at the Circuit Court of Savannah, Tennessee on the first Monday of November. *Savannah (TN) Courier, Thursday, 20 Sep 1888*, page 3, first column.
- 1889 Sale of land for delinquent taxes in Hardin County, No. 158, a tract of land lying in the 17th Civil District and bounded on the north by **Castleberry**, east by **Robins**, south by **Robins**, west by **Butler**, assessed to, and sold as the property of **Solomon Roan**. *Savannah (TN) Courier, Thursday, 25 Apr 1889*, page 2, column 3.

Appendix F: Henry Rone/Roan of Marshall County, TN

A small number of undocumented trees proclaim that Henry Roan, who died in Marshall County, TN (or elsewhere) was the father of Mathew Rone (and by extension, the father of Mobley Rhone). This conclusion was likely reached with very little thought: Henry Roan was the only Roan who had lived in Bedford County, TN after Mathew Rone had lived there, so he naturally would have been the first person to have been investigated as a possible father.

However, he died leaving a will, and the makeup of his family in no way corresponds with what is known about the family of Mathew Rone and Mobley Rhone. The following is provided here as a means of disproving this erroneous assumption.

- 1836 Bedford County, TN tax list (this district became part of Marshall County, TN in 1836): **Henry Roane**, District 14, taxed for 137 acres of deeded land and one white person (pg. 207).
Levi Roane, District 14, taxed for one white person.
- 1836 Aug 23 **Levi Rone** purchased 13 ½ acres of land in Marshall County, TN from **Samuel T. Tillman**. On the waters of Rock Creek, south side of Duck River. Adjoining **William Bills** and **John Fisher**. Wit: **R. W. McWhirter** and **Eli Rone**.
- 1841 Sep Inventory and account of sales in the estate of **Henry Roan** of Marshall County, TN, by **Eli Rone** and **Levi Rone**, Adms.
- 1841 Oct 4 **Mary Rone** made guardian of **Gellyann, William** and **John Rone**, minor orphans of **Henry Rone** in Marshall County, TN. Bond, \$3,000. Securities: **Eli Rone**, **Levi Rone**, **Thomas Green** and **W. H. Drake**.
- 1842 Jan 5 Estate of **Wilei [sic] Rone**, a resident of Perry County, in Marshall County, TN. **George Rone**, adm. Bond, \$500, Security **George Fisher**.
- 1842 Jul 4 **Mary Roane**, guardian for **Gilly Ann, William** and **John Roane**, minors and heirs of **Henry Roane**, renewed her bond for \$2,500 in Marshall County, TN. Securities: **Eli Roane** and **Wade H. Drake**.
- 1842 Oct 3 Inventory and account of sales for the estate of **Wiley Rone**, by **George Rone**, adm. Marshall County, TN.
- 1844 Jul 2 **Levi Rone** made guardian of **Gellyann, William** and **John Rone**, minor heirs of **Henry Rone**. Securities: **Eli Rone** and **Henry Rone**.
- Jul 7 **Mary R. Smith** recovered \$40 in Marshall County, TN against **George Rone**, father of her bastard child.
- 1845 Oct 6 Estate of **Levi Rone** by Adm **Eli Rone** in Marshall County, TN. Bond \$2,500. Securities: **James R. Fisher**, **James W. Calahan**, **Noah Rone** and **Robert McAteer**.

Appendix G: Descendants of Clement Rone

Another, unforeseen, benefit of creating the Rone DNA Pool was that it pointed out our relatedness to several descendants of Clement Rone, whose identities had initially been obscured by their use of the Roan or Roane spellings of the family surname. In the 1840 Census for District 11 in Lincoln County, Tennessee are the households of Clement Rone, Harbert Roan, William Rone, John Rone and Catherine (Rone) Hazzard, while living in District 25 was Solomon Rone (Samuel Rone was found in District 18 at the time). These five individuals were born in quick succession and appear to have been the children of Clement Roan and his wife, Creasy, though no clear proof of their relationships was discovered. A Rutha Rone, age 83, in Harbert's 1850 Census household is thought to have been a later wife of Clement's.

There seems to be no clear source for identifying Clement Rone's children and grandchildren, and what little information that seems to have been published on the internet is likely somewhat garbled. For instance, several sources have Samuel Hastings Rone as a son of Solomon Rone. But there seem to have been two different Samuel Rones, and it appears more likely that Samuel Hastings Rone was Harbert's son, not Solomon's. The reasons for this and other speculative musings are discussed in the list below (people whose connections are speculative are listed with a question mark after their name).

1. **Harbert Rone**, born about 1796 in North Carolina (according to the 1850, 1860 and 1870 Census). He married **Elizabeth Martin** on 30 Jun 1818 in Mecklenburg County, North Carolina. Their 1850 Census record shows a daughter in their household, though they almost certainly had additional children, three of whom may have been **Samuel Hastings A. Roan**, **Margaret A. (Rone) McKinney** and **James Roane**:
 - a. **Samuel Hastings A. Roan?**, born about 1825. He married first **Eliza Deshazer** on 29 Oct 1849 in Lincoln County, Tennessee. She apparently died soon after, and they had no children together. He married second **Lydia McDaniel** on 24 Mar 1852 in Lincoln County, Tennessee. They had one or two sons together. He married third **Nancy Luranie Brown** on 24 Apr 1856 in Lincoln County, Tennessee. The remainder of Samuel's seven children were by this second marriage.
 - b. **Mary C Rone**, born about 1828. She married **Alexander Smith** on 6 Oct 1853 in Lincoln County, Tennessee. They had at least five children together.
 - c. **Margaret A. Rone?**, born about 1829. She married **Sylvester G. McKinney** on 14 Feb 1850 in Lincoln County, Tennessee. They had no children. They were listed in the household immediately following Harbert's in the 1850 Census.
 - d. **James R. Roane?**, born about 1833. He married **Jane M. King** on 8 Aug 1852 in Lincoln County, Tennessee. This James was listed in the household of **Isaac S. Porter**, which immediately followed that of Clement's son **John Rone**, and was three households before that of **Harbert Rone**. Since John had a daughter born in 1833, James was most likely not his son, but the son of Harbert.
2. **Solomon Rone**, born 1797, died Aug 1850 in Hardin County, Tennessee, not long after having left Lincoln County, Tennessee. He married **Fanny Parrish** on 21 Mar 1818 in Mecklenburg County, North Carolina. Fanny's 1850 Census record for District 8, Hardin County, Tennessee includes five females: four Rones, plus **C. C. Deshazer**. C.C. was likely the daughter of her next-door neighbor, **William Deshazer**. **Arrena "Rainy" Deshazer** married **John Rone**: she was likely

William's daughter and he was likely Fanny's son, as they were also living in District 8 in 1850. Another of Fanny's sons appears to have been **Samuel Rone**:

- a. **John Roan?**, born about 1820. He married **Arrena Deshazer** on 26 Jul 1844 in Lincoln County, Tennessee. They had six children together.
 - b. **Samuel Rone?**, born about 1822. He married **Elizabeth Dejarnett** on 9 Feb 1843 in Lincoln County, Tennessee.
 - c. **Ruth Rone**, born about 1831.
 - d. **Martha Rone**, born 1834.
 - e. **Mary J. Rone**, born 1834. She married **Samuel Deshazer** on 3 Mar 1852 in Lauderdale County, Alabama. They had five sons.
 - f. **Margaret Elizabeth Rone**, born about 1838, died sometime after 1872. She married **Felix Garner Parrish**. They had five children together.
3. **Catherine Rone**, born about 1799. She married **Cornelius Hazzard** on 31 Mar 1817 in Mecklenburg County, North Carolina. Census records provide no clue to the identities of their children, but some clues are found in marriage records of Lincoln County, Tennessee.
- a. **Winson Hazzard?**, probably born about 1820. He married **Frances A. Parkes** on 12 May 1841 in Lincoln County, Tennessee.
 - b. **Thomas Hazzard?**, probably born about 1825. He married **Delelope W. Allen** on 4 Aug 1846 in Lincoln County, Tennessee.
 - c. **Rutha Hazzard?**, probably born about 1826. She married **James Henderson** on 21 Mar 1844 in Lincoln County, Tennessee.
 - d. **Martha J. Hazzard?**, probably born about 1828. She married **Joseph W. C. Gray** on 3 Aug 1846 in Lincoln County, Tennessee.
4. **William Rone**, born about 1801. He married **Elizabeth Bigham** on 25 Apr 1822 in Mecklenburg County, North Carolina. The 1850 Census for Bedford County, Tennessee documents their two youngest children. In 1860, Elizabeth, apparently a widow, was living in Wright County, Missouri, in the household of Nancy Davis, the widow of **William Hampton Davis**, who was likely her daughter. The Bedford County estate of **William Staggs** identifies two of his sons-in-law as **Isaac N. Rone** and **Ezekiel Rone**, who were likely William's sons. A small number of well documented trees on Ancestry.com also contend that **Sarah Ann (Rone) Winters** was William's daughter. She was living near **Nancy (Rone) Davis** at that time, as well as near some Lowery households. The connection seems credible, and the birth order of all these individuals is convincing. Part of this family line migrated to Hardin County, Tennessee, and part migrated to Wright County, Missouri.
- a. **Isaac Newton Rone?**, born Jul 1821. He married first **Eliza Jane Staggs**, and married second **Peggy Gay**. Isaac had eleven children by these two marriages, but it is unclear when the second marriage took place. Based upon the length between births, those children of his born after 1855 were likely by his second wife.
 - b. **Ezekiel Rone?**, born about 1823, died between 1855 and 1860. He married **Lucinda Staggs**, and they had three children together.
 - c. **Sarah Ann Rone?**, born 23 Apr 1826, died 1 Jul 1898. She married **Marshall Winters**. They had four children together.
 - d. **Nancy Adeline Rone?**, born 10 Jan 1830, died 16 Dec 1902. She married first **William Hampton Davis**, and they had three children together. She married second **Sampson Moore**, and they had seven children together.

- e. **Robert Jackson Rone**, born Jun 1834, died 5 Aug 1864. He married **Cynthia Gertha Henson**, and they had four children together.
 - f. **Frances Rone**, born about 1842.
5. **John Rone**, born about 1803. The identity of John's first wife is not known. He married second **Nancy Deshazer** on 26 Jul 1844 in Lincoln County, Tennessee. John had several children who are identified in Census records, and he likely had additional children born prior to his known eldest child, Nancy. The two youngest children were by his second wife.
- a. **Nancy C. Rone**, born about 1833. She married **Temple T. Scott** on 3 Jan 1855 in Lincoln County, Tennessee. They had eleven children together.
 - b. **Mary A. Rone**, born about 1835. She married **Alexander Smith** on 6 Oct 1853 in Lincoln County, Tennessee. They had five children together.
 - c. **Clementine Rone**, born about 1837.
 - d. **Alexander F. M. Rone**, born about 1840. He married first **Susan M. Guyer** on 14 Oct 1857 in Morgan County, Alabama. They had six children together. He married second **Josephine Rogers** on 30 Jul 1904 in Hughes County, Oklahoma (then Indian Territory). They had no children together.
 - e. **Harvey Newton Rone**, born about 1842. He married **Catherine D. McCutcheon** on 2 Apr 1865 in Morgan County, Alabama. They had five children together.
 - f. **Louisa A. Rone**, born about 1845.
 - g. **John Rone**, born about 1858.
 - h. **Joseph Rone**, born about 1861.

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